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28th ,,	MALOJA	12500	....	....
7th Mar.	PERSIA	8000	....	....
14th ,,	SALSETTE	6000	MARMORA ..	10500
21st ,,	MACEDONIA	10500	....	....
28th ,,	SALSETTE	6000	MOLDAVIA ...	10000
*1st Apl.	HIMALAYA	7000	....	....
4th ,,	ARABIA	8000	....	....
11th ,,	SALSETTE	6000	MEDINA	12500
18th ,,	MANTUA	11000	....	....
25th ,,	SALSETTE	6000	MONGOLIA ...	10000
*26th ,,	ARCADIA	7000	....	..
2nd May	CALEDONIA	8000	....	....
9th ,,	SALSETTE	6000	MALWA	11000
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Sydney	4118	Leveque..	6th May.
Caledonien.....	4140	Bougault.	3rd June
Armand Behic...	6385	Lafont...	1st July

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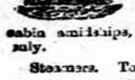

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Steamers	Tons	Sailing Date	Time	Route via.
Dumra	1,695	Thurs. 5th Feb.	9 a. m.	† C.M.
Dhasa	2,184	Friday 6th Feb.	‡ 6 a. m.	direct.
Linga	2,185	Mon. 9th Feb.	11 a.m.	P. D. & C.M.

† Cutch Mandvi.
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(Weekly)

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Steamers.	Tonnage.	Sailing on
†Pentakota	3418	Thursday 5th Feb
•Palamcotta	3413	,, 19th ,,
†Purnea	3206	,, 5th Mar.
•Pundua	3305	,, 19th Mar.

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Steamers.	Tons.	Capt.	Leave Bombay
Elysia	6368	J. A. Coverley.	25th Feb.
Massilia ...	5091	J. Thomson ..	13th Mar.
Olympia ..	5124	J. Kinnaird ..	25th Mar.
Circassia. ..	6722	C. F. Osborne R.N.R. .	7th April.
Scindia ..	5106	Wm. Kelso ..	21st April.
Castalia ...	6388	G. Mitchell ..	1st May.
Elysia	6368	J. A. Coverley	23rd May.

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Re d'Italia...	6236	A Pinceti	10th Mar.
A Steamer....	6000	X....	7th April
....	6000	....	5th May.
....	6000	....	2nd June
....	6000	....	30th ,,

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Acting Manager.

BANKS.

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Reserve Fund	,, ,,	3,250,000,00
Undivided Profits ...	,, ,,	701,961,24

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PAID-UP CAPITAL		562,500
RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHAREHOLDERS	£	562,5000
RESERVE FUNDS	£	415,000

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CURRENT DEPOSIT ACCOUNTS

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FIXED DEPOSITS.

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1 second-hand glass-fronted miniature office brougham.

1 second-hand rubber-tyred palanquin office shigram, in good order.

1 bay Arab horse, aged, quiet in harness.

By order of the mortgagee Mr. Haji Ahmed Haji Hassum alias Dada and on account and risk of the mortgagor Mr. R. Solomon—

One handsome strong rubber-tyred bicycle wheels cabriolet by Windover.

On MONDAY, the 9th instant, at 2-30 P.M. (S.T.), Messrs. BENNETT and Co., are instructed to sell by Public Auction at No. 4 Queen's Road, opposite the Church Gate Station, Fort, the valuable and handsome teak and blackwood plain and carved household furniture by Dewji Kanji, Ahmed Dewji and Bros., and others, rich glass and crockeryware, best plated-ware, dining table, arms and without arm chairs, sideboards and dumb-waiters, rich tapestry, lined drawing room suits, one Ebonywood cottage piano by Rose and Co., in very good order, drawing room cabinets, chiffoniers, glass door almyrahs, China vases, tapestry door curtains, marble top wash-hand tables, pier glass vases, wall plates and figures, oil paintings and water colours brass and iron single and double bedsteads, China and coir mattings, 2 Jost fans, durries and Hyderabad carpets, copper utensils, etc. Also one lot of best choice plants in tubs and pots, one second-hand rubber-tyred victoria, sets of harness, etc., etc., the property of Col. W. W. Pike.

The property of another gentleman.

One 15-20 H. P. Fiat 4 seater open touring body four cylinder, Bosch magneto, 3 speeds and reverse, complete with hood, screen, lamps, horn, tools, etc.

One 10-12 H. P. 2 cylinder, seated Clement Bayard Car in working order.

Catalogues will be published and the property will be on view four days before the sale.

By order of the Municipal Commissioner for the City of Bombay, Messrs. BENNETT and Co., will sell by Public Auction, at the Arthur Crawford Market, on MONDAY, the 2nd March, 1914, at 11 A.M. (B T.), the right of collecting fair ground and feeding fees from cattle dealers, butchers, and all others at the Bombay Municipal Slaughter houses, Bandora, for 12 months from 1st April, 1914 to 31st March, 1915, and fees in the Fort Market, Arthur Crawford Beef Markets, Arthur Crawford Fish and Mutton Markets, Erskine Road Fish Market, Colaba Fish Markets, Pedder Road Fish Market, Mazagon, Kamatipura Market, Ferguson Road Fish Markets, Parel, Purbhadevi Road and Elphinstone Road Markets, from flesh and salt flesh sellers, etc., who sit on the floor or other places not numbered either in line or outside under the eaves of the markets and also collecting fees for weighing goods at the scales of the Arthur Crawford Markets for 12 months from 1st April, 1914 to 31st March, 1915.

For particulars and conditions of sales, respectively, apply at the Municipal Commissioner's Office, Fort, or at the office of the Superintendent of Markets, Arthur Crawford Markets, or to the Undersigned.

The Municipal Commissioner does not bind himself to accept the highest or any offer.

THE SURAT SWADESHI SPINNING AND WEAVING MILLS, CO., LT.
(In Liquidation.)

The Official Liquidator of the above Mills will receive private offers for the above Mill at his office, at High Court, up to TUESDAY, the 24th March next, till 6 P.M.

BENNETT & Co
Bombay, 4th February, 1914.

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

S. S. Baron Ardrossan, 2,775 tons, Capt. D M. Reid, arrived in harbour yesterday from Calcutta (January 21), with a cargo of coal.

S. S. Ormidale, 2,304 tons, Capt. F. Thomson, sailed yesterday for Calcutta with ballast.

S. S. Arachne, 2,471 tons, Capt. G. W. Sergent, sailed yesterday for Philadelphia, with a general cargo.

S. S. Federiks Glavil, 3,382 tons, Capt. V. Millos, sailed yesterday for Genoa, with a general cargo.

ROYAL NAVY & R. I. M. VESSELS.

H M S Swiftsure .....Captain Nugent .....R N
H M S Pelorus .....Comdr Hill .....R N
H M S Sphinx ..Comdr Todd .....R N

VESSELS IN THE HARBOUR.—Feb. 3.

Alfeld ....2479 Fisher.....Arab Strs
Algerion ....2404 Wilson.....W & A G & Co
Austria .....4872 Cosulich .....A L S N Co
Ada .....2484 Mason .....
Arcadia .....3513 Burchram.....P & O Co
Baron Ardrossan...2775 Reid .....
Badminton.....2438 Jones .....W & A G & Co
Begum .....2942 Wright .....T M & Co
Blake .....2396 Hill .....A Yule & Co
Budrie .....1613 Mathews .....T M & Co
Bayo Maru ....3247 Sagora .....S Wallace & Co
Bahrein.....1402 Grant .....Arab Strs Ld
Beegenz .....2134 Chersich .....A L S N Co
Burjora .....17 S Commack .....M M & Co
Clan Cameron...3285 Christian ...J Finlay & Co
Dumra .....764 Minnett .....M M & Co
Egypt .....4207 Summers.....P & O Co
Firooze .....2029 Primrose .....T M & Co
Ferrara .....717 Feathers.....
Hoseipeo .....994 Fanning.....T M & Co
Himalaya .....3709 Evans.....P & O Co
Helios.....860 Kundsen .....F F & Co
Hopemount .....2105 Gibson .....
Khosrou .....2410 Hannah ....Jed...T M & Co
Koweit .....2336 Brewis .. Arab S'mers & Co
Kandenfels.....3605 Oetker .....W & A G & Co
Kasara .....304 King .....M M & Co
Lindula .....2183 Handcock .....M M & Co
Lawoe .....1817 Coates ...D M Khandwani
Liberia .....2304 Schroder .....T S & Co
Mantua .....5905 Vibert.....P & O Co
Niagara (Yacht).703 Gabrielsen .....J Loiter
Orissa .....3525 Redfern .....M M & Co
Okhla .....3435 Ruffles.....M M & Co
Saalda .....3433 Johnson.....M M & Co
Southville.....2265 Hedquist .....
Trader.....2327 Williams .....
Taiyabi .....2000 Kaso .....A M Jivraj & Co
Urjina .....3423 Abbott.....M M & Co
Zoroastrian.....2585 Osborne .....C M & Sons

VESSELS IN DOCK.—Feb. 3.

PRINCE'S DOCK.

Vessels.	Tons.	Capts.	Dest.	Date.	Agents.
A Port Said	3110	Muzes	Italian		M S N Co
B Poco	1659	Hicks			J F & Co
B Bassano	2762	Boxhall	Hull	31-1	J F & Co
D & E Irria	3420	Walsh	Calcutta	5-2	M M & Co
F Chapra	3954	Ferguson	Antwerp	15-2	M M & Co
H Elswick House	2545	Smith		7-2	W & A G & Co
K Kawachi Maru	3321	Christiansen			N Y K
M Mansuri	2042	Gore	Jeddah	4-2	T M & Co
N Crown	2740	Richard	Karachi	7-2	W & A G & Co
P Pentakota	2239	Stewart			M M & Co
Q Abydos	1933	Davis	Mauritius	31-1	Bo & A S N Co

VICTORIA DOCK.

Salsette	2391	Vine	Aden		P & O Co
1 City of Birmingham	4838	Haughton	K'chee	9-2	K N & Co
2 Habsburg	2395	Huber	Trieste	10-2	A L S N Co
2 Castalia	4036	Mitchell	L'pool	31-1	W & A G & Co
3 Vermont	2722	Geminali	Kobe	4-2	W & A G & Co
4 Arachne	2471	Sargent	Philadelphia	4-1	T M & Co
5 Brunton	2333	Sharbon	Hull	13-2	T M & Co
6 Falls of Archy	3139	Murchie	Hull		K N & Co
7 Clan Colquhoun	3769	Summers	Antwerp	10-2	J F & Co
8 Cairngowan	2560	Band	Karachi	10-2	W & A G & Co
9 Katenturm	2334	Fretwurst	Karachi	10-2	W & A G & Co
10 & 11 Yelbo	2358	Huber	Karachi	12-2	W & A G & Co
10&11 Iran	4933	Peabody	Dunkirk	1-2	K N & Co
14 Dumra	762	Minnett	Busreh	5-2	M M & Co
15 Glenclaoy	3017	Johnston	Kobe	3-2	T M & Co
16 Queenmore	2499	Taylor	Manchester	3-2	W & A G & Co
16 Elswick Manor	2573	Glenltes	Dunkirk	1-2	W & A G & Co
H W P D.					
Kaveri	533	Fakeera			Bo S N Co
Satrunji	347	Goolam			Bo S N Co
M W D D					
India	4193	Talbot	Hull		N F P & O Co,
Outside N					
Konig	3176	Collzou		7-2	A Strandes & Co

The following vessels entered for loading yesterday:—
Steamer Ferrara for Busreh, &c.
" Singn for Rangoon.

MOVEMENTS OF SHIPS.

The B. I. S. N. Co's. steamer Chinkoa left Port Said on the afternoon of Feb. 2.

The P. & O. S. N. Co's. steamer Novara arrived at Suez from Colombo on the morning of Feb. 2. The same Cos'. steamer Arabia arrived at Suez from Bombay on the morning of Feb. 1.

The Ellerman Line steamer City of Poona, homward bound, sailed from Port Said on the morning of Feb. 1.

The Anchor Line steamer Elysia, outward bound, passed Suez on Saturday the 31st January at 11-30 p.m. and is due in Bombay on the morning of the 10th instant.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEERS.

THE ARTILLERY.

Regimental Orders by Major J. W. Hawes, V.D., commanding, dated February 3.

Members of Nos. 1 and 2 Companies are requested to draw their Arms and Accoutrements from Head-quarters as early as possible between the hours of 9-0 a.m. and 4-0 p.m. on week days only. Arms and Accoutrements cannot be issued at Head-quarters after 12 noon on 5th instant.

The E. E. Company will parade on Apollo Bunder at 7 p.m. sharp, on Thursday the 5th instant, and proceed to Middle Ground for Defence Light Manning for Night Firing.

It is notified for information that a Proficiency Class will be held in Head-quarters on Thursday 5th instant at 7 p.m. All N. C. O's, desirous of competing in the Annual Skill at Arms Competition should attend these lectures.

The Annual Camp will be held at Colaba from Saturday 7th to Sunday 15th February, 1914, both days inclusive. Parade at Colaba Station at 5-5 p.m. on Saturday 7th instant and march to Colaba. Cyclists may proceed direct. Members should send their bedding to Head-quarters by 10 a.m. on Saturday 7th February, so that arrangements can be made for transport to Colaba. Bed cots will be provided.

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PUBLIC ENGAGEMENTS.

To-day.

Bombay Y. M. C. A., Address by Rev. W Mallis, 6-30 p.m.
Bombay Standing Committee 4-10 p.m.
Bombay Ice Manufacturing Company, Extraordinary General Meeting, 14, Hummum Street, 3 p.m.
Salle Francaise; third number of the "Spoken Journal," 6-20 p.m.

THURSDAY, February 5.

Bombay Y. M. C. A., Address by Rev. W. Mallis, 6-30 p.m.
Lantern Lecture, History Unveiling Prophecy, the New Hall, 6-30 p.m.
Meet, Bombay Hunt, Santa Cruz, Daybreak.

FRIDAY, February 6.

Bombay Y. M. C. A., Address by Rev. W. Mallis, 6-30 p.m.

SATURDAY, February 7.

Bombay Y. M. C. A., Address by Rev. W. Mallis, 6-30 p.m.
Bible Class for the Study of Prophecy, the New Hall, 6-30 p.m.
B V. R. Camp of Instruction at Santa Cruz concludes.
B. V. A. Camp opens, Colaba.
Bombay Races, Extra Meeting, Mahalaxmi Racecourse.
Royal Bombay Yacht Club Races.

SUNDAY, February 8.

Bombay Hunt, Wakola.

MONDAY, February 9.

Royal Bombay Yacht Club fancy Dress Ball.

DAILY.

Excelsior Cinematograph, Excelsior Theatre.
Olympia Picture Palace, Sandhurst-road.
America-India Cinematograph, Charni-road.

NOTICE TO JURYMEN.—Gentlemen of the Special Jury are required to attend at the High Court this (Wednesday) morning, at 11-30 o'clock.

THE EXCELSIOR THEATRE:—In response to requests the management of the Excelsior Cinematograph Theatre have decided again to engage His Excellency the Governor's Band. This will appear at the last house next Saturday and on both houses on Sunday when another big film "Honesty," or "A Man's Struggle for Existence" will be shown. Mabel and Malfe, the comedy duetists, as well as Miss Gladys Cunningham are to remain for another week and will present an entirely new programme.

BAND PROGRAMMES.

ESPLANADE.

By permission of Lieut.-Col. R. M. Thomason, V.D., and officers, the Band of the 1st Battalion, B. B. & C. I. Railway Volunteers, will play the following programme under the direction of Mr. Geo. W. Salter, commencing at 5-45 p.m., to-day:—

March Militaire.....Schubert
Overture.....The King's Lieutenant..Titl
Valse Intermezzo Flirtation.....Steck
Selection.....Haddon Hall.....Sullivan
Melody .....Amore.....Muratori
Serenata.....Love in Idleness.....Macbeth
Duet .....Two Little Finches.....Kling
Potpourri of German Songs &c.....Kappey
Fackeltanz.....Eliott

BOMBAY GYMKHANA.

By permission of Lieut.-Colonel T. W. Bonner, V.D., and officers, the Band of the 1st Batt., G. I. P. Ry. Volunteers, will play the following programme under the direction of Mr. Hugh B. Mitchell, bandmaster, commencing at 6 p. m. to-day:—

March .....Entry of the Gladiators .....Fucik
Three Dances .....John Ansell
Valse .....Bebe.....Vessey
Selection.....Haddon Hall .....Sullivan
Egyptian Serenade.....Amina .....Lincke
Selection.....The Girl from Utah..Jones and Rubens
Siamese Patrol.....Lincke

SUN, MOON AND TIDES AT BOMBAY.

The following are the hours and heights of the tides in Bombay Harbour during the ensuing week. Hours stated in Bombay mean time; depth of water is at Prince's Dock sill.

HIGH WATER.

Day of Week.	Day of Month.	Bombay Mean Time.		Depth on sill.	
	February.	h.	m.	ft.	in.
Wed	4	m 3	49	25	1
		5	59 a	24	0
Thurs		m 4	45	24	5
		8	2 a	24	6
Fri	6	m 6	11	23	11
		9	13 a	25	7
Satur	7	m 7	53	24	1
		10	0 a	26	10
Sun	8	m 9	15	24	10
		10	49 a	28	0

LOW WATER.

Day of Week.	Day of Month.	Bombay Mean Time.		Depth on sill.	
	February.	h.	m.	ft.	in.
Wed	4	m 10	52	18	9
		10	57 a	22	8
Thus	5	0	17 a	18	8
Fri	6	m 1	52	22	9
		1	31 a	18	1
Satur	7	m 3	12	21	11
		2	33 a	17	4
Sun	8	m 4	1	20	11
		3	27 a	16	5

The following are the hours of sunrise and sunset according to Indian Standard Time, during the ensuing week:—

Feb.	Sunrise.	Sunset.
4	(Wednesday) do 7h. 13m.	do 6h. 33m.
5	(Thursday) do 7h. 12m.	do 6h. 34m.
6	(Friday) do 7h. 12m.	do 6h. 34m.
7	(Saturday) do 7h. 12m.	do 6h. 35m.
8	(Sunday) do 7h. 11m.	do 6h. 35m.

Phases of the Moon.—First Quarter, Feb. 3rd, 4h. 2-6m. p.m.; Full Moon, 10th, 11h. 4-7m. p.m.; Perigee, 12th 7-0h. p.m.; Last Quarter, 17th 2h. 53-0m. p.m.; New Moon 25th, 5h 32-1m. a.m.; Apogee, 28th, 2-7h. p.m.

ADVICE TO MOTHERS.—Are you broken in your rest by a sick child suffering with the pain of cutting teeth? Go at once to a chemist and get a bottle of MRS. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP. It will relieve the poor sufferer immediately. It is perfectly harmless and pleasant to taste, it produces natural, quiet sleep, by relieving the child from pain, and the little cherub awakes "as bright as a button." It soothes the child, it softens the gums, allays all pain, relieves wind, regulates the bowels, and is the best known remedy for dysentry and diarrhœa, whether arising from teething or other cases. Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup is sold by Medicine dealers every where.

CORRESPONDENCE.

NIGHT NOISES ON APOLLO BUNDER.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—In an early-to-bed city like Bombay one would naturally think that peace and quietness would prevail at night, especially in the residential quarters, and I have been surprised to read in your columns from time to time complaints of noise at nights in the vicinity of Apollo Bunder. There are so few people about in this city after dinner that I could not understand how the complaints could be justified; but I have recently taken a flat near the Bunder, and now I know all about it, and, though I am still as far as ever from understanding the cause of the noise, I know that the complaints were under rather than overdrawn.

Let me tell you what happened last night. Shortly after dinner I went to bed, and soon was asleep. But at 11 o'clock I was roused by a noise like a ship's fog signal. I got up and looked out, and was just in time to see a taxi-cab disappearing round the corner. And for a solid hour after that I was kept awake by an almost incessant blowing of motor horns of different degress of power, but all of them louder than they ought to be. The ruffian—it is a hard name but just—who had first awakened me passed along the street half a dozen times in that hour blowing his horn at intervals of ten yards or so, and making it impossible, I should say, for any one in the vicinity, to sleep. He was simply prowling about on the look-out for a fare, and it seemed to me that several of the other cars that passed and repassed were also on the prowl. The horn on the first man's car may have been a decent, respectable instrument at one time, but it is not now. It has gone hoarse with over-much usage, and makes the most horrible din I have ever heard. After midnight, peace came to the troubled Bunder, and I suppose the only thing to do to ensure a good night's rest is not to retire until the witching hour. But cannot the police do something to stop these prowling taxis?

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Bombay, Feb. 2.

INTEMPERANCE IN BARODA STATE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—Thanks to the establishment of Good Templars' lodges at Bombay, and elsewhere in British territory, the drink evil is not so demoralising there as it is in the Baroda territory. In Native States no societies for checking the drink habit exist, and Native officers in their zeal to show an increase of revenue, never look into the moral aspect of the matter.

For some years the Baroda authorities have given out liquor shops to licensees under the "guarantee" system Under this system the licensee undertakes, or rather the State forces him to undertake, to sell a certain quantity of liquor, within the contract period. His failure to sell the stipulated quantity of liquor results in his paying to the State an indemnity, or fine, to the extent of Rs. 3 per gallon. Under this system, as the quantity to be sold is purposely fixed higher than the ordinary by the State officers, the seller has no alternative but to push his sales by any means, fair or foul. The one result of this system is that vendors in Baroda State sell their liquor at lower rates than those fixed by the State, and if the adjacent territory is British, the shopkeeper in the latter has to suffer, as many drinkers would prefer to drink cheap liquor which they would obtain by smuggling, or otherwise. But the worst feature of the system is that licensees in the Baroda territory directly spread intemperance, under the patronage of the State. Would such a practice be tolerated for a day in British territory?

This "guarantee" system is introduced only for an increase of revenue, and nothing else, and I wish His Highness the Maharaja Shiaji Rao Gaekwar, who is an enlightened Prince, would abolish this demoralising system from his territory, and show to the public that he cares much more for his ryots' moral welfare than for increased revenue. I do not believe such a "guarantee" system is in existence anywhere in British India or other Native States.

TEETOTALLER.

Baroda, Feb. 1.

AHMEDABAD NOTES.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

AHMEDABAD, Feb. 2.

Steps are being taken here to start a branch of the Anti-Tuberculosis League. On the motion of Khan Bahadur Dr. Nanawatty, seconded by Lieut.-Col. H. Bennett, I.M.S., the Municipality at its last meeting passed a resolution approving of the idea and promising all possible support and encouragement.

Under the auspices of Commissioner and Mrs. Booth-Tucker, the Salvation Army has entered upon a much-needed temperance crusade here and, with the object of educating the people, and especially the rising generation, as to the ill-effects of intemperance, it is bringing out a special Anti-Drink number of the *War Cry* containing the opinions of various prominent citizens of our city on the subject. It is hoped to have the number put into the hands of as many people as possible. Such an effort, coupled with the work of the proposed Anti-Tuberculosis League, should do much for the physical and material prosperity of the city.

It is a pity that the spirit of unanimity displayed by Indians regarding the African question, cannot be extended and so bring about a more tolerant attitude in regarded to religious questions and differences. Lately a well-known Hindu philanthropist of this city, after building a commodious darmashala for his co-religionists, decided to confer a similar benefit on his Mussalman brethren. Having made the necessary arrangements with the authorities, digging was begun, but before much progress had been made, the workmen came across an ancient Mussalman grave and then the pot was in the fire. Some Moslems objected to the place being further disturbed under any such auspices and the benevolent intentions of the kindly disposed Hindu were unfortunately nipped in the bud.

THE WEATHER.

BREAK OF THE DROUGHT IN THE PUNJAB.

FAVOURABLE FORECAST.

[ASSOCIATED PRESS.]

SIMLA, Feb. 3.

The disturbed conditions in the north are intensifying and it is raining this morning at many stations in the Punjab; but, so far, no large amounts are reported, Sonamarg had one inch; Khusab ½; Rawalpindi, Cherat and Murree ½.

Forecast.—Extension of the area of rainfall into the South-East Punjab and the adjoining districts of the United Provinces. A few showers are possible in North-East India.

Summary of observations recorded at 8 hours on Tuesday, the 3rd February, giving data for the preceding 24 hours.

The Punjab.—Rainfall has been fairly general in the western half of the Punjab; Multan has had 0·17" and Rawalpindi 0·29". Skies are moderately to heavily clouded. The air is damper than usual at Multan and Rawalpindi. Temperature is in excess.

The United Provinces.—Skies are generally clear. Humidity is normal or in defect. Temperature is in excess.

Sind and Rajputana.—Skies are generally clear. The air is drier than usual in the northern half of Rajputana. Temperature is generally in excess.

Gujarat, Kathiawar and Central India West.—Skies are clear. Humidity is in defect in Central India West and normal or in excess elsewhere. Temperature is normal.

The Central Provinces.—Skies are clear or lightly clouded. The moisture in the air is either equal to or below the average. Day temperature is in excess in the northern half of the division; night temperature is in excess at Saugor, Chanda and Raipur.

The Konkan.—Skies are clear. Humidity and temperature are normal.

The Bombay Deccan and Hyderabad.—Skies are clear. The moisture in the air is either equal to [redacted] the average. Temperature is [redacted] normal.

General Remarks.—An area of relative low pressure is shown to-day over upper Sind and the adjacent parts of Rajputana and of the Punjab. Fairly general rain has fallen in the western half of the Punjab where skies are heavily clouded.

Some showers are likely in the Punjab.

Appended is Tuesday's report of the Meteorological Reporter for Western India, based on observations taken at 8 o'clock.

Names of Stations.	Maximum temperature during the past 24 hours.	Minimum temperature during the past 24 hours.	Rainfall past 24 hours.	Rainfall since 1st November to date.
Jask ...	77·9	61·8	...	1·68
Muskat (2nd) ...	75·3	66·1	...	0·66
Delhi ...	80·8	54·0	...	0·52
Karachi ...	77·8	64·0	...	0·17
Bhuj ...	82·2	55·7	...	0.03
Dwarka ...	76·4	69·2	...	0·00
Verawal ...	80·6	60·4	...	0·00
Rajkot ...	84·9	52·3	...	0·00
Bhavnagar Para...	85·0	58·8	...	0·00
Surat ...	88·4	57·5	...	0·00
Ahmedabad ...	87·6	57·7	...	0·00
Deesa ...	86·5	49·4	...	0·01
BOMBAY ...	82·9	69·6	...	...
Ratnagiri ...	84·7	65·9	...	...
Mormugao ...	84·2	67·9	...	...
Karwar ...	86·5	64·6	...	...
Malegaon ...	89·9	54·1	...	0·08
Ahmednagar ...	87·7	55·9	...	0·16
Poona ...	88·5	55·7	...	...
Sholapur ...	91·0	62·7	...	0·01
Bijapur ...	90·3	64·0	...	0·24
Belgaum ...	86·6	57·2	...	0·82
Madras ...	83·1	66·4	...	28·73
Bangalore ...	85·3	58·0	...	0·34

STANDARD BAROMETER READING.

The following information is published in order that vessels in the Bombay Harbour may, by comparison with a standard instrument, ascertain the errors of their barometers:—

The reading of the Standard Barometer at the Colaba Observatory corrected for index error and reduced to 30 deg. F. and to the level of the tide, at 8-45 a.m., (Standard Time), on the 3rd February, 1914, was 30·167, inches. For temperature corrections applicable to mercurial barometers of ships, the reading of the ship's barometer is to be increased or decreased by 013 inch for every 5 deg., according as the temperature of the attached thermometer is respectively below or above 80 deg. F. In case of the Aneroid, no temperature correction is needed, but for comparison at 80 deg. F, all Aneroid readings should be increased by ·138 inch. For correcting the ship's barometers, either mercurial or Aneroid, for the height of the barometer cistern above the tide level in the stream at 8-45 a.m., (Standard Time), the ship's barometers reading should be increased by ·010 inch for every 10 feet of this height to make it comparable with the observatory barometer reading above.

RAILWAY TIME-TABLE.

The following are the hours of arrival and departure of the principal Mails and Express trains at and from Victoria Terminus and Colaba daily. Standard time is given in all cases:—

G. I. P. Railway.

[In force from 1st September, 1913.]

	Arr. H. M.	Dep. H. M.
Punjab Mail	12-35	17-15
Calcutta Mail (via Jubbulpur)	13-20	21-0
Calcutta Mail (via Nagpur)	8-45	13-30
Madras Mail	6-0	21-30
Poona Mail	11-10	14-45
Delhi Express (3rd and inter class)	6-40	7-30
Poona Express	19-35	8-0
Manmad Express ...	11-30	14-25
Postal Express for Punjab...		
do. do. for Calcutta...		
do. do. for Madras...		

* Four hours after mail steamer is signalled on Friday only.

B. B. & C. I. Railway.

[In force from 1st December, 1913.]

	Arr.	Dep.
Northern Express ...	8-50	21-0
Gujarat Mail ...	7-45	21-30
Third class Kathiawar Express and Delhi Fast Passenger 1st, 2nd and 3rd	6-55	21-45

NEWS IN BRIEF.

Sir Arthur Reed, lately Chief Judge at Lahore, will proceed shortly to Kashmir to be arbitrator in a case pending there.

The Vizagapatam District Association has unanimously resolved to invite the next session of the Indian National Congress to Vizagapatam.

The Hon. Mr. W. M. Hailey and Messrs. Lutyens and Baker, architects, returned to Delhi on Monday from their visit to Rajputana where they saw various styles of Indian architecture.

As at present arranged H. E. the Governor of Bengal, accompanied by Lady Carmichael, Mr. Gourlay, Major Bateman and other members of the Staff, will leave Calcutta next Friday night for Dacca which will be reached the following morning.

When Lieutenant-Colonel Seton proceeds on leave in the spring, Lieutenant-Colonel Jay Gould will act as Deputy Director-General, Indian Medical Service, Captain Needham, Health Officer, Simla, officiating as Assistant Director-General.

Captain W. Jones of the steamer Gallia was charged at the Colombo police court recently with allowing his coal-trimmers to throw ashes overboard from the Gallia on Jan. 2 into the harbour. Complainant had no witnesses and the magistrate discharged the accused.

An eminently successful feature of the recent festivities at Jullundur has been the performance of the burlesque operetta "Maritana," staged by the Manchester Regimental A. D. S. The piece was played on three alternate nights, on each occasion to a crowded house, and met with an enthusiastic reception. The final performance took place on Saturday, the 24th ultimo, when the spectators included Major-General and Mrs. Carnegy and Staff, and Mrs. and Miss Fagan.

A farewell address was presented on Friday evening at Calcutta by the past and present assistants of the office of the Economic Botanist to the Botanical Survey of India, to Mr. D. Hooper, on the eve of his retirement. Mr. C. C Calder, Officiating Director, Botanical Survey of India, presided, and made a eulogistic reference to the meritorious services rendered by Mr. Hooper for the last thirty years both under the Madras Government and the Government of India. Mr. Hooper replied in feeling terms.

On Tuesday morning a dachshund dog which was suffering from rabies entered No 41, Wellesley-street, Calcutta. After running through some of the rooms it went into the bathroom where Mr. A. Browne was bathing. After biting Mr. Browne the animal attacked a bearer, who attempted to drive it away, and bit him also. It then ran out into Ripon-street where it also bit a monkey. The animal was, however, traced and shot by Inspector Jennings of the Park-street Thana. The monkey was also destroyed. Mr. Browne and his servant have gone to the Pasteur Institute at Kasauli for treatment.

Following so soon upon Saturday's serious fire in the *Paisa Akbbar* buildings, people in Lahore were startled on the morning of Tuesday the 27th to hear that a portion of the *Punjabee* Press buildings was on fire, writes a local correspondent:—The previous night the office had been closed as usual the Manager having left at 6 p.m., and the proof reader at 7 p.m., the rooms being locked up. Early in the morning the neighbours noticing the flames rising high in the Manager's office gave the alarm to the chaukidar who hurried to inform the Manager who hastened to the spot. The engine of the Municipal Fire Brigade soon arrived and set to work extinguishing the fire which was over by 8 o'clock.

PAREL-ROAD MOTOR FATALITY.

A CHAUFFEUR WHO "GOT CONFUSED."

The Mohamedan who was picked up by Inspector Shaw on Parel-road on the night of January 28, in an unconscious condition, and had apparently been run over by a conveyance died at the Sir J. J. Hospital on Monday night. Mr. G. F. Chalk, the Coroner, held an inquest on the body yesterday morning.

Inspector Shaw said he found the man lying on the down tram lines on Parel road. He appeared to be of the labouring class. Witness thought the man had been knocked down by a conveyance, and thought he must have been lying there for some time. The road was not well lighted during the early hours of the morning.

Ahmed Vazir, a chauffeur in the service of Mr. Schlechdendal, said he was driving along Parel-road on the night of the accident at about 2-30 a.m. He saw something on the road and slowed down, but the deceased received a slight knock, and cried out. Witness got confused and turning back went to his master and reported the incident. His master took him to the police, and dismissed him from service. There was no one in the car but himself and he got frightened and therefore did not pick the man up.

Capt. Prescott, House Surgeon, J. J. Hospital, said death was due to concussion of the brain, caused by being knocked down.

The verdict of the jury was that death was due to concussion of the brain caused by his being knocked down by a motor-car driven by Ahmed Vazir.

LEGALISED DISSECTION IN CHINA

A Reuter message, dated Hankow, the 26th December, states:—Dissection of human bodies has been legalised by order of General Tuan Chi-jui, Acting Tutuh of Hupeh, in response to requests by missionaries in the interest of medical education and research. Vice-President Li Yuan-hung had already expressed approval of the matter but had only sanctioned it informally. It is believed that this is the first time that dissection has been formally legalised in China.

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The fluid you take with your food, *in a single month*, weighs as much as your entire body.

Most of this fluid has to pass out through the kidneys, bladder, and urinary system.

Imagine what would happen if the outlets for this water were stopped up!

In a few hours the limbs and body would swell to a great size with the collected water.

That is what actually takes place in dropsy.

Dropsy is the name given to the soft watery swellings which appear in the ankles, limbs, and body, under the eyes or in the eyelids or on the backs of the hands. If you press your finger into the swollen flesh the pitting slowly fills up with the water again.

DROPSY is not a disease in itself, but it is *serious* because it indicates serious disease.

It may show that the kidneys are failing to separate the urine from the blood, or that there is something obstructing the urinary canals and preventing the water passing out; or it may be caused by defective action of the heart.

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Doan's Backache Kidney Pills have a quick and direct action on the kidneys and bladder. They promote a free flow from the urinary system, washing out clogging impurities from the passages, and draining out the collected water through the natural channels. They gently lead the kidneys back to health and activity, and thus reach the *cause* of most cases of dropsy.

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MARKET REPORTS.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

LONDON, Feb. 2.

Consols 2½ per cent ...76 9-16+9-16
Exchange on London at
Paris F c s ... ...25·17 1-2 unchgd
Rentes 3 per cent. ...87 1-4 unchgd
Berlin Cheques on London 20·45 1-2—1
Bar Silver Spot ...26 11-16+1-4
Do. 2 months hence 26 7-16+3-16
Closing Tone of silve ...Dull.
Rupee Paper 3 1/2 per cent ...64 1-2 unchgd
Exchange on India 30 d'st..
(Bank buying Rate) ...1 3 7-8 unchgd
3½ per cent. India Stock
(Sterling Loan) ...93 unchgd
Discount Bank Bills 3 m'st 1 13-16—3-16
Discount Indian Bank Bills
6 m'st ... ...1 13-16—1-8
Do. Fine Trade Bills
3 months ...2 7-8 unchgd
Do, Fine Trade Bills
6 months ...3 1-8 unchgd
Bar Gold (per oz.) ...77·9
Interest day to day loans...1 1-8 unchgd
Do. 7 day market loans. 1 1-4—1-8
Discount, Bank of England Rate 3 per cent. since 29th ultima.

COUNCIL BILLS EXTRA ALLOTMENTS.—

Bills on Madras	Rs. 3,90,000 at Is. 4 3-32d.
Transfers on Bombay	Rs. 7,50,000 at Is. 4 1-8d.

NEW YORK, Feb. 2.

COTTON.

	Bales.
Days' Receipts at U. S. Ports ...	33,000
" Receipts at U. S. last year ...	15,000
" Exports to Great Britain ...	18,000
" Exports to Continent ...	16,000

NEW YORK.—
Futures month of March ...12·30—2
Futures month of May ...12·08 unchgd
First tone—Mutilated.
Declined owing to bear pressure and liquidation.
Spot Cotton .. Mutilated.

NEW ORLEANS.—
Spot Cotton ... 12 13-16 unchgd
Tone of Spot Cotton ... Steady.
Futures—Month of March . 12·50 unchgd
Futures—Month of May ... 12·54—2

COFFEE.—
Fair Rio Coffee (No. 7 quality) ... ... Mutilated.
Demand Bills ... ... do.
Silver Commercial Bars ... do.

LIVERPOOL, Feb. 2.

Total Day's Sales at Liverpool... ... ... 12,000 Bales.
Total Day's Sales on Spec. and for Export ... 1,000 "
Total Day's Sales of East Indian ... ... 50 "
Total Day's Imports ... 1,000 "
Tone of Liverpool Cotton. Spot :—Good business done—steady.
Tone of Liverpool Cotton. Futures—Quiet—Steady.
Tone of Manchester Market.—Quiet with a limited enquiry.
Mid-Americans ...7·03+3
Egyptian F. G. F. ...9·50 unchgd
New York 11 a.m. ... ... { Mar.—12·35 / May —12·12
New York Official noon call { Mar. 12·36 / May 12·13
New Orleans 10 a.m. ... { Mar. —12·54 / May —12·60

LIVERPOOL, Feb. 2.

CLOSING PRICES.

Months.	
Feb.-Mar ...	6·70+2
Mar.-Apl ...	6·72+2
April-May ...	6.69+1
May-June ...	6.68 unchgd
June-July ...	6.64 unchgd
July-Aug ...	6·60 unchgd
Aug.-Sept ...	6·49 unchgd
Sept.-Oct ...	6·34+2
Oct.-Nov ...	6·25
Nov.-Dec ...	6·21

LONDON, Feb. 2.

WHEAT.

Wheat Cargoes White Karachi...37 1-2 unchgd.
Do. Months ...Jan.-Feb.
Do. Name of Ports ...Hull.
Do. Whether Buyers or Sellers, etc...Nominal.
Wheat F.A.Q. Red Karachi per 492 lbs. C.I.F....Nominal.
Do. Months ... .
Do. Name of Ports ... .
Do. Whether Buyers or Sellers, etc... .....
Tone—Dull.
Wheat a float for United Kingdom ...2,590,000

RUBBER.—
Para Rubber ... 3 1
Feb.-March—Sellers—Quiet.

SOUTH AMERICAN WHEAT.
Rosario Santa Fe ...No sellers.
Barletta Russo ... do.

AUSTRALIAN WHEAT.
South Australian ... 35 5-8 unchgd
Jan.-Feb.—Sellers.

LONDON, Feb. 2.

SEEDS.

RAPESEED.—
Yellow Cawnpore per 416 lbs., 85 p. c. ex-ship ... Nominal
Do. Months— do
Do. Name of Ports— ... do
Yellow Gujarat, per 416 lbs. ex-ship ...52 1-2+1-4
Do. Months— ...March-April-May.
Do. Name of Ports ...Antwerp—Nearest value.
Brown Cawnpore ...47 1-2+1-4
Do. Months— ...March-April-May.
Do. Name of Port— ...Dunkirk—Value.
Tone—Firmer.

LINSEED.
Bombay per 416 lbs ex-ship...48 1-8 unchgd.
Do. Months— ...Feb.-Mar.
Do. Name of Ports— ...Dunkirk—Sellers.
Tone—Firm.
Linseed Calcutta ...47 2-3+6d.
Do. Months— ...Feb.-March.
Do. Name of Ports ...London—Sellers—Firm.

LONDON, Feb. 2.

Linseed Argentine—La Plata—42 1-2+1-8
Do. Months— ...Feb.-March.
Do. Name of Ports ... Hamburg—Nearest—Value.
Tone—Firm.

COTTONSEED.

Bombay Cottonseed...	...£6—1s. 3d.
Market ...	... Feb.-March.
Ports	... Hull
Buyers etc. ...	... Done
Tone	... Steady.

METALS.
Standard Copper O. M. B...£66 1-4+3-8
Copper Braziers ...£80 3-4+1-4
Yellow Metal ...d3 7-8 unchgd.

FREIGHTS.—
Coals:—Cardiff to Bombay Canal—9s. 9d. unchgd.

ARRIVALS.
"Orangemoor," "Braunfels."

SUGAR.
German Granulated Sugar—
C & F India (double bags) 12 8 1-4—3-4
Do. Months of Shipments. April-August—Sellers.
Tone—Quiet.
Hungarian Crystal Sugar
C & F India ...11 9 3-4—3-4
Months of Shipments ...March—Nominal.
German Beet-root 88 p.c....9 2 1-2 Sellers.
Months of Shipments ...Feb. 9 5 unchgd.—May—Sellers.
Tone—Opened easier. Closed steady.
E A R & Similar Crystals
C and F India ...13 3 3-4 unchgd.
Months of Shipments ...Mar.-July—Sellers.
Tone—Quiet little doing.
Mauritius Crystal C & F
Calcutta and Bombay ...11 4 1-2 unchgd.
C & F Bombay ...11 3 unchgd.
Months of Shipments ...Feb.—Value.

JAVA SUGAR.
Raw Java Nos. 16 by 18 C and F Calcutta 11 3 unchgd
Do. do. Jan.-Mar.—Value.
Raw Java C and F Bombay and Karachi—
Do. 11 4 1-2 unchgd—Jan.-Mar.—Value.
Fine White Java C and F Calcutta—12 9 unchgd.
Do. do. Jan.-Mar.—Value.
Fine White Java C & F Bombay & Karachi—12 10 1-2 unchgd.
Do. do. Jan.-Mar.—Value.
Tone—Inactive idle.

LONDON, Feb. 2.

SHEEPS SKIN.
Sheep skin sale opened today with a fair demand.
Sheep skins Madras medium—Easier a penny lower.
Sheep skins Madras ordinary—a penny lower.
Sheep skins Bombay—1-2d. to 1d. lower.

LIVERPOOL, Feb. 2.

COTTON.
OPENING TONE AND PRICES.

Opening Tone...	... Dull.
Estimated Sales	... 10,000
Total Imports ...	... 33,000

FUTURE DELIVERY PRICES—

Months.	Previous closing price.	To-day's price.
Feb.-Mar. ...	6·70	6·68
Mar.-Apr. ...	6·72	6·69
Apr.-May. ...	6·69	6·67
May-June ...	6·69	6·66
June-July ...	6·64	6·62
July-Aug. ...	6·60	6·59
Aug.-Sept. ...	6·49	6·48
Sept.-Oct. ...	6·34	6·33
Oct.-Nov. ...	6.25	6·24

Prices taken at 10-10 a.m. nearest actual values.

BOMBAY MARKETS.

TUESDAY EVENING, Feb. 3rd, 1914.

IMPORTS OF TREASURE.

Packages.	Value. Rs.	From	Importers.
3 Cases Rupees ...	18,340	Hongkong	Eastern Bank
2 Bundles Rupees ...	4,000	Dubai	National Bank
5 Boxes Rupees ...	30,000	Hongkong	Mercantile Bank
1 Parcel Silver ...	3	London	Comptoir National

EXPORTS OF BAR SILVER FROM BOMBAY BY RAIL on 31st Jan., and 1st Feb. 1914.

By	Bars.	Ounces.
G. I. P. Railway* ...	154	173,941
B. B. & C. I. Ry	86	101,828

*Boxes and Bars.

FINANCIAL.

MONEY :—

Bank of Bom. rate since 13th Nov.	7 p.c.
Bank of Bom. rate since 15th Jan.	6 p.c.
Bank of Mad. rate since 3rd Jan.	7 p.c.

The cash balance of the Bank of Madras is 15 lakhs down, and the Bank rate is unchanged.

EXCHANGE :—

The market is steady and rates are unchanged. Business continues dull.

We quote—

T. T. on London Ready	...1s. 4 3-32d.
Demand Draft Mail	...1s. 4 3-32d.
Credit 3 months' sight	...1s. 4 1-4d.
Do. Forward	...1s. 4 3-16 May
Do. France Ready	...171
Do. Marks "	...139
Hongkong 60 days' sight	...139 1-4
Shanghai do.	...187 1-2
Japan do.	...148 1-4

GOVERNMENT PAPER :—

The market opened at 95 11-16 for cash and 95 3-4 for the settlement and closes 1-16 down as under.

A moderate business is reported.

We quote—

Cash	...Rs. 95 10 0
Settlement	...Rs. 95 11 0

BULLION :—

A rise of 1-4 is reported in London for ready bar silver, the rate being 26 11-16. For forward there was an advance of 3-16, to 26 7-16. The New York quotation was mutilated. The local market opened steadier and a moderate business was done, but at the close prices are rather easier as under.

We quote—

English Bar Gold	...Rs.	23 15 9
Australian Gold	...Rs.	23 15 3
Sovereigns Gold	...Rs.	15 0 0
Silver (ex duty)		
Ready	...Rs.	67 7 0
1st Settlement	...Rs.	67 4 0
2nd Settlement	...Rs.	66 14 0
Silver (cum duty)		
Ready	...Rs.	76 13 0
1st Settlement	...Rs.	76 10 0
2nd Settlement	...Rs.	76 4 0

COTTON.

MARKET REPORT :—

The following are the latest telegrams to hand:—

WELD AND Co:—Liverpool:—"Opened steady with some short covering and some Continental buying New Crop. Very little selling. Prices eased during the afternoon on poor reports from New York. Undertone good." New York:—"Market declined on scattered selling in small and narrow market."

GRUNING AND Co:—"Market has a good undertone. South is offering very little. Spinners are operating a little more freely. Continent is buying New Crop."

The home markets continue to show little change one way or the other, and small to moderate fluctuations are likely in the near future. Purchases of New Crop by the Continent indicate that spinners consider present prices sufficiently attractive to cover part of their requirements for next season by this hedge. Spot sales in Liverpool are also fairly large.

The local market opened quiet and unchanged, good Broach being quoted Rs. 283-4 and fine Khamgaon Akola Rs. 240. There was some enquiry for the latter description early in the day, and also some settlements of fine M.G. Bengals March by export houses who had previously sold. At Colaba there were more sellers than buyers and prices declined, the market closing weak as under.

For ready cotton the demand has been small and prices are easier.

QUOTATIONS :—

		Rs.	
Fine M. G. Broach	...	236	Mar.
Good M. G. Broach	...	231	"
Fine " Wardha Hinganghat...		265	"
" " Nagpur	...	262	"
" " Yeotmal	...	254	"
" " Dhamangaon P.	...	247	"
" " Khamgaon Akola...		239	"
" " Amraoti	...	241	"
" " Khandeish	...	218	"
F. G. " Khandeish	...	209	"
Fine " Muthia	...	213	"
" " Bengal	...	208	"
F. G. Bengal	...	200	"

LIVERPOOL :—

Opening Tone	... Dull.
Estimated Sales	... 10,000
Total Imports	... 33,000

FUTURE DELIVERY PRICES :—

Feb.-Mar.	Mar.-April	April-May
6·68 —02	6·69 —03	6·67 —02
May-June	June-July	July-Aug.
6·66 —02	6·63 —02	6·59 —01
Aug.-Sept.	Sept.-Oct.	Oct.-Nov.
6·48 —01	6·33 —01	6·24 —01

SEEDS AND WHEAT.

LINSEED :—
The market is steady. We quote :—
Ready ... Rs. 7 12 0 B.T.
May ... Rs. 8 12 6 B.T.

RAPESEED :—
The market is quiet but steady. We quote :—
Brown Delhi May ... Rs. 8 14 0 B.T.
Brown Cawnpore ... Rs. 7 11 0 B.T.
Yellow Cawnpore ... Rs. 9 0 0 B.T.

GINGELLYSEED :—
Tone—Quiet. We quote :—
Bold White 85 p.c.... Rs. 56 8 0
Black Kutni ... Rs. 45 0 0

POPPYSEED :—
Tone—Quiet. We quote :—
Ready ... Rs. 10 3 0 B.T.

CASTORSEED :—
Tone—Steady. We quote :—
Ready ... Rs. 34 0 0

GROUNDNUTS :—
Tone—Quiet. We quote :—
Bold ... Rs. 47 8 0
Small ... Rs. 46 8 0

MOWRASEED :—
Tone—Quiet. We quote :—
Ready ... Rs. 8 0 0

WHEAT :—
Tone—Market is Steady. We quote :—
White Pessi 85 p.c. ready. Rs. 5 9 0 B.T.
White Delhi May 1914 ... Rs. 5 15 0 B.T.

SHARES.

BANKS.

Bank of Bombay ...	1,555
Bank of India ...	65
Bank of Baroda ...	60
Bombay Central Co-operative Bank ...	15
Eastern Bank ...	76

MILL SHARES.

Ahmedabad Advance ...	840
Bombay United ...	497 1-2
Bombay E. S. & T. C....	pref 175 / ord. 226
Bombay Burmah T. C....	900 x.d.
Crescent ...	116 1-4
Currimbhai ...	230
Colaba Land ...	1,465
David ...	481 1-2
Fazulbhai ...	450
Kohinoor ...	755
Khatau Makanji ...	1,380
Manockji Petit ...	1,980
New Great Eastern ...	227 1-2
Nagpur ...	1,865
Swadeshi ...	1,480
Standard ...	1,160
Treacher and Co ...	480
Tata I. & S. Co. ...	ord 76 1-4 / def 135

PRESSES.

Indian Cotton ...	131 1-4 x.d.
New Benar ...	505 x.d.
New Mofussil ...	805 x.d.

RAILWAYS.

Tapti ...	577 1-2
Sara Sirajgunj Ry ...	25
Ahmedabad-Prantej Ry...	685
Dhond-Baramati Ry ...	116
Central Provinces Ry ...	118 x.d.
Guzerat Ry ...	113 xd.
Amritsar Patti Ray ...	147-8-0

MISCELLANEOUS.

Bombay S N Co. ...	225 c.d., ord.
do. ...	270 c.d. pref.
Bombay Burma ...	900 xd.
Shivrajpur ...	22 1-2
Central India Mining ...	28

TWO DAYS' RECEIPTS.

The following are the receipts of produce into Bombay, during the 48 hours ending at 6 p.m. yesterday :—

Cotton	...	27,112	Bales.
Wheat	...	5,703	Cwts.
Linseed	...	590	"
Rapeseed	...	33	"
Gingellyseed	...	8,059	"
Poppyseed	...	Nil	"
Groundnuts	...	3,599	"
Castorseed	...	4,873	"
Rice	...	2,765	"
Myrabollams	...	2,632	"
Cottonseed	...	10,215	"
Mowraseed	...	21	"
Gram	...	1,557	"
Joowar	...	5,646	"
Maize	...	Nil	"
Barley	...	49	"

DAILY EXPORTS—FEB. 3.

FOR LIVERPOOL.

Algerian s—300 bales cotton, Diwadkar and Co; 320 cwts tillseed cakes, K Devchand and Co; 2,000 cwts linseed oil cakes, R Dorabji and Co; 10,562 cwts myrabolams P Mathuradas and Co.

FOR MARSEILLES.

Algerian s—2,000 cwts groundnuts, K Devchand and Co; 1,000 cwts gingelly, K Devchand and Co; 5,032 cwts gingellyseed, E D Sassoon and Co; 2,000 cwts castorseed, E D Sassoon and Co; 13,920 cwts linseed, 6,500 cwts cottonseed, Ralli Bros.

FOR BARCELONA.

Algerian s—100 bales cotton, Gaddum and Co.

FOR LONDON.

Mantua s—11 casks goat skins, E N Stein; 15 bales cow hides, R M Kooka; 22 bales sheep skins, R M Kooka; 6 bales cow hides, A Cassam; 19 cwts ganja, M Jafferbhoy; 64 cwts ginger, M A Kayum; 2,300 lbs bristles, J H Begbie and Co; 3,000 cwts cottonseed, L Dreyfus and Co; 500 cwts myrabolams, Pulee and Co; 92 bales cowhides, E D Sassoon and Co.

Mantua s—100 bales goat skins, 23 bales sheep skins, 11 bales cow hides, W and A Graham and Co; 45 bales cow hides, M J Joomabhoy; 2 bales cotton curtains, D J Bhoomgara; 1 bale woollen rugs, E G Fulep; 9 bales woollen carpet, 2 cases haberdashery, King King; 2 cases Indian metal and curios, H Cowasji;

FOR NEW YORK.

Mantua s—2 bales woollen carpets, Thos Cook and Sons.

FOR HULL.

Fallsef Archy s—3,000 cwts castorseed, K Devchand and Co; 1,000cwts groundnut oil cake, T Morrison and Co.

Laconia s—2,000 cwts cottonseed, Volkart Bros.

Trader s—10,000 cwts cottonseed, L Dreyfus and Co; 13,000 cwts cottonseed, Ralli Bros.

FOR BOSTON.

Mantua s—1 bale woollen carpets, G P Standes and Co.

FOR MALTA.

Mantua s—10 bales cotton twist, David Sassoon and Co.

FOR TRIESTE.

Bregenz s—495 bales cotton, Volkart Bros; 985 cwts gingellyseed, B S Lloyd and Co; 4,002 cwts gingellyseed, E D Sassoon and Co; 5,000 cwts gingellyseed, K Devchand and Co; 3,759 cwts tolseed, Ralli Bros; 55 bales cotton, The Bombay and Co; 420 bales cotton, N Rajaram and Co.

Habsburg s—437 cwts gum olibanum, J Dossa and Co; 559 bales cotton, The Bombay Co; 115 bales cotton, Ralli Bros.

FOR FIUME.

Bregenz s—220 bales cotton, Bombay Co.

FOR VENICE.

Bregenz s—5,200 cwts castorseed, K Devchand and Co.

Habsburg s—302 bales cotton, Ralli Bros.

FOR GENOA.

Porto Said s—500 bales cotton, Volkart Bros; 200 bales cotton, W Wolf and Sons; 400 bales cotton, Ralli Bros.

FOR LEGHORN.

Porto Said s—1,600 cwts linseed, Ralli Bros.

FOR NAPLES

Porto Said s—100 bales cotton, Volkart Bros; 100 bales cotton, M Amersey and Co; 870 bales cotton, Ralli Bros.

FOR ALEXANDRIA.

Porto Said s—2,250 cwts teelseed, Ralli Bros.

FOR VARNA.

Porto Said s—21 cwts mendi poweder, R Girdhalal and Co.

FOR PORT SAID for orders.

Hope Mount s—500 tons manganese ore, Schroder Smidt and Co.

Badmington s—2,300 tons manganese ore, Scherder Smidt and Co.

Queenmoor s—2,000 cwts cottonseed, Ralli Bros

FOR KOBE.

Glenchy s—100 bales cotton, Gaddam and Co.

DAILY IMPORTS—FEB. 3.

Steamer Chupra from London, Agents M M and Co—762 barrels asphalt 50 cases, 9,178 casks cement, 175 cases candles, 42 cases drugs, 15 cases amorphos phosphorus, 2 cases acidboric, 35 cases quinine, 338 cases medicines, 68 cases, 9 bundles infants food, 1,005 drums disinfectant fluid, 10 kegs acid boric, 20 cases tobacco, 10 casks tartaric acid, 10 cases nails, 12 bundles buckets, 5 cases window glass, 15 cases, 11 crates glass bottles, 55 cases port wine, 50 cases sherry, 100 cases gin, 100 cases beer, 6 cases brandy, 5 cases 3 packages whisky, 10 cases spirit, 150 cases mineral water, 3 cases perfumed spirit, 13 cases perfumery, 9 cases essential oil, 2 cases sweet oil, 120 drums oil, 34 cases oil varnish, 1 case 44 drums linseed oil, 30 drums, 817 kegs, 12 cases paints, 430 drums turpentine, 35 cases mustard barley, 10 cases coffee, 14 cases cocoa, 104 cases condensed milk, 8 cases confectionary, 650 cases 12 packages biscuits, 379 cases oilman's stores, 139 cases provisions, 160 bags oatmeal, 51 cases soap, 34 cases toilet soap, 39 cases salt, 36 cases sugar, 35 casks tallow 15 cases cotton goods.

RAILWAY RETURNS.

B. B. & C. I. RAILWAY. Metre Gauge System.

Approximate Return of Traffic for week ended 17th Jan. 1914, on 1827·99 miles open.

	Coaching Traffic Receipts.	Merchandise and Mineral Traffic Receipts.	Other Earnings (estimated).	Total Earnings.
Total Traffic for the week ...	Rs. 186000	Rs. 420000	Rs. 7000	Rs. 613000
Or per mile of Rly. ...	101	230	4	335
For previous 15 weeks of half-year ...	1 327210	4379038	90188	8241327
Total for 16 weeks ...	345810	5299038	97188	8854327
Comparison...	1			
Total for cor. week of previous year ...	202005	457839	6860	666704
Per mile of Rly. do...	111	250	4	365
Total to cordate do...	7 328742	5838736	255113	9381276

Decrease for the week ... Rs. 53,704
Do. to date ... " 5,26,949

BOMBAY STOCK AND SHARE LIST.

BANKS.

NAMES.	Paid up Capital, Ordinary. Rs.	Reserve and other Funds. Rs.	Rest. Rs	Paid up per Share. Rs.	Market Quotations. Rs.	1909	1910	1911	1912	1913 half year.
Bank of Bengal ..	2,00,00,000	1,83,00,000	5,19,649	500	1 645	14	14	14	14	
Bank of Bombay ...	1,00 00,000	1,03 ,00,000	6,07,348	500	1,560	1	18	13	13	
Bank of Madras ...	75,00,000	73,00,000	2,93,574	500	1,440x	1	1	12	12	
Bank of Rangoon ..	16,00,000	3,66,000	50,223	100	20		6	4½	4½	2½d
Bank of India ...	50,0 ,000x	5,00,000	2,03 355	50	64½	6	6	6	6	3
Allahabad Bank P	25,00,000h	36 00,000	1 22,000	100	356r	18	18	18	18	9
Alliance Bank ...	20,00,000	30,00,000	84,539	100	283	14	14	14	14	14b
Chartered of India ...	£1,200,0 0k	£1,700,000	£ 32,539	£20	£25	15	15	15	15	...
Delhi and London ...	£ 3 ,625	£14,000	£4,841	£25	27½	4	4	4	4	...
Eastern Bank ..	£ 00,000	£15,0 0	£7,993	£4	7½	...	...	4	4	...
HongKong and Shanghai Banking Corporation	dl 15,000,000x	$32,450,000	$2 5 ,000	$ 25	£10	3	3½	3½	3½	16
Indian Specie Bank ...	75,00.000k	15 0,000	5,13, 25	50	26	6	7	7	8	3½
Lahore Bank ...	1,11,125	42,000	6,000	35	25	7½	..	8	8	...
Mercantile of India ...	£18 ,500A / £375,0 0B	£415,000	£ 0,105		£21½ / £21½	6	7	7	8	...
National Bank of India ..	£1 00,000k	£1,000,000	£34,033	£ 2½	61½	12	37½	12	14	...
Punjab National ...	9,88,153	10,0 ,000	3 ,000	100	170	1	10	10	11	11

a—First half-year.
b—Year ended 30th June.
c—Ad-interim.
d—Half-year ended 31st May, 1913.
e—Declares dividend yearly.
h—Half Preference, half Ordinary Capital.
k—There is a reserve liability equal to the amount paid up on these shares.
n—Liability of Rs. 20 per share.
y—Yearly audit.
* Nominal quotations.
† Bonus shares issued.

RAILWAY COMPANIES.

Ahmedabad Prantej Railway	February-July.	6¼	680	
Amritsar Patty	March-August.	p.c.	145	
Central Provinces Railway Rs. 75	January-July.	4	119	
Dhond Baramati Rs. 80	.....	4 p.c.	19	
Guzerat Railways Rs. 100	.....	4	113	
Sind Light Railways Limited	June-December.	7	141	
Tapti Valley Railway Co.	April-August.	7½	575	
Ahmedabad Dholka Railway	February-August.	5½ p.c.	142	

Name of Company.	Issued Capital.	Number of Shares.	Nominal value	Paid up	Present price
Sara-Sirajganj Ry. Co. Ld...	80 lacs	80,000	100	25	26
Mandra-Bhon Ry. Co. Ld...	27½ lacs	27,500	100	25	27½

BOMBAY COTTON MILLS.—(Companies marked P. have Preference Shares.)

NAMES.	Secretaries, Managers and Agents.	Paid up Capital Ordinary.	Debentures.	Reserve Funds, &c.	Block Account. 31-12-12.	Paid-up per Share.	Market quotations.	Profit and Loss carried forward. 31-12-12	Dividends p. c. per year. 1908 1909	1909 1910	1910 1911	1911 1912	1912 1913
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Ps.	Rs.	Rs.	p. c.	p. c.	p. c.	p. c.	p.
Ahmedabad Jamna and Weavin Co.	Tunchorelal Chotalal and Co	9,81,000	...	2,25,945	...	500	800	140	62-5	5 3-5	5 1-5	4	n
Bombay Flourd O Mill Co. Ld.	Volkart Brothers	3,60,000	...	13,61,127	...	500	910xd	6,53	100	40	50	60	...
Bellary Press Co. Ld...	Kothari Sutan and Co.	45,925	...	31,20	1,03,000	275	200	—204	...	..	15ps	...	...
Century S. & M. Co. Ld.	C. N. Wadia & Co.	18,50,000	...	36,79,401	67,19,225	100	240	39,239	8	3	3	18	...
Colaba Land and Mill Co. Ld.	Messrs. Bradbury & Co.	28,00,000	...	18, 1,030	47,27,875-14-5	7·0	1,435	3,313-4-8	11½	11½	11½	11½	...
Crown Spinning and Mfg. Ld.	Purshotam Vithaldas and Co	2,00,000a	...	1,69,133-9-7	...	500	250	8213-15-8	...	...	...	6	...
Central India S. W. & M. Co. Ld.	Tata Sons and Co.	96,97,500	...	50,91,039	...	{ 500 / 250	1,855	43,236	105	115	105	135	...
Crescent Mill Co. Ld....	Currimbhoy Ebrahim and Co.	15 00,000	...	1,90,000	28,57,512	100	111½	4,531	4	...	...	9	...
Connaught Mills Co. Ld	Greaves Cotton and Co.	4,93,200	...	6,17,993	...	300	170	1,23,779	...	...	...	...	...
Delhi and Northern India Flour Mills Co. Ld.	James Mackintosh and Co.	3,43,200	...	46,184b	5,10,092	200	100	...	...	...	3½	4	...
Empress Spg. and Wg. Co. Ld.	Greaves Cotton and Co.	14,51,750	10,0 ,000	13,29,462	...	500	140	3,23,527	...	...	...	—	...
Emperor Edward Spg. & Mfg. Co. Ltd.	S. D. Petit Sons and Co.	15,00,000	...	1,25,000 & 2,13,000	...	500	415	62,516	11	5	2	8	...
Fazulbhoy Mills Ld ..	Currimbhoy Ebrahim and Co	18,00,000	12,00,000	4,96,000c	...	250	437½	3772-15-8	10ps	10ps	15ps	59ps 12ps	...
Gold Mohur Mills ...	Tullokchand and Shapoorji.	7,64,000	6,00,000		5,24,207 11-1 m	500	430	5,745-14-3	20ps	...	...	50ps	...
Howard and Bullough Mills Co. Ld.	Greaves Cotton and Co.	7,46,250	...	12,15,005	...	50	400	13,706	6	...	3	5	...
Imperial Cotton Mills Co. Ld.	Greaves Cotton and Co.	6,80,000	...	5,51,714	...	500	105	1,83,815 Loss	...	...	...	...	...
Jubilee Mfg. Co. Ld ...	Readymoney Jeejeebhoy and Co	8,43,000	...	72,994	...	1,000	200	74,043	...	...	...	...	...
James Greaves Mills Co. Ld.	Greaves Cotton and Co.	6,60,000	...	8,21,505	...	500	100	1,13,222	...	...	...	...	...
Kohinoor Mills Co. Ld.	Killick Nixon &Co.	18,54,000	10,00,000d	19,37,000	26,65,653	500	745	9412-15-4	6	6	5	10	...
Khatau Makanji Spg. and Wg. Co. Ld.	Messrs. Khatau Makanji and Co	9,95,000	...	14,00,825-8-3	...	1,000	1,380	7,036-4-3	7	5	6½	8½	k
Madhowji Dharamsi Mfg. Co. Ld.	Gokuldas Madhowji Sons and Co.	13,50,000	...	11,83,755	...	500	1,138	33016 4-x. d.	17	10	13	30	...
Manockji Petit Manufacturing Co. Ld.	D. M. Petit Sons and Co.	36,03,500	...	60,73,955	44,55,815	1,000	...	22,245	145	60	20	50	...
Mysore Spinning and Mfg. Mill Co. Ld.	N. Sirur and Co.	4,95,000	...	5,000	...	250	255	492-7-11	...	...	...	...	6
Morarjee Gokuldas S. and W. Co. Ld.	Morarji Gokuldas and Co.	11,50,000	...	9,71,000c	...	1,000	2,170	...	25	20	12	17½	
New City of Bombay Mfg. Co. Ld.	Bradbury and Co.	6,00,000	...	6,01,500	13,42,000	500	935	267-1-4	10	10	...	12	10 15
Phoenix Mills Ld ...	Tullockchand and Shapoorji.	8,00,000	8,00,000	3,94,725	22,14,976	100	162½	26,428	6	6	6	12½	...
Port Canning and Land Mfg. Co. Ld. ...	Messrs. David Sassoon and Co. Ld.	60,00,000	...	3,75,000	...	1,000	840	2,72,214	38	42	40	40	45
Sholapur Spg. and Wg. Co. Ld	Morarji Gokuldas and Co.	8,00,000	...	2978,114-12	...	1,000	5,000	4,358-4-3 Loss	300	250	225	300	...
Southern Mahratta Spg and Wg. Co. Ld. (P).	Forbes F. Campbell and Co. Ld	11,15,900g	...	7,53,933	29,22,363		60	3,15,719	6	...	..	...	...
Swan Mill Ld. ...	Messrs. James Finlay and Co. Ld.	10,00,000	...	...	10,61,838	250	375	8,881	4	...	..	8	8
The Finlay Mills Ltd.	Messrs. James Finlay and Co. Ltd	20,00,000	...	20,0 ,000	22,65,799	250	310	4,245	...	7	4 1-2	11	6p
The Hindoostan Spg. and Wg. Mills Co. Ltd.	Thackersey Moolji and Co.	12,00,000	...	6,97,000	...	1,000g	575	...	6	6	6	7½	...
The Western India Spg. and Mfg. Co. Ltd.	Thackersey Moolji Sons and Co.	12,00,000	...	8,53,556	...	1,00	475 x. d.	...	6	6	6	7½	...
The Wadhwan City Ginning, Pressing & Manfg. Co., Ld.	Messrs. Patuck & Co.

THE WORLD OF SPORT.

FOOTBALL AT HOME.

THIRD ROUND IN THE F. A CUP.

LONDON, Feb. 2.

The following is the draw for the third round of the Football Association Cup :—

Aston Villa vs. West Bromwich Albion.
Millwall vs. Sheffield United.
Wolverhampton Wanderers or Sheffield Wednesday vs. Brighton and Hove Albion.
Sunderland vs. Preston North End.
Birmingham vs. Queen's Park Rangers.
Blackburn Rovers vs. Manchester City.
West Ham United vs. Liverpool.
Burnley vs. Bolton Wanderers.—Reuter.

The English Cup competition is in an exceedingly interesting condition, and the third round will provide some very keen and even games. Both last year's finalists, Aston Villa and Sunderland, are still in, and, both being drawn to play at home, should have little difficulty in getting into the fourth round. Aston Villa meet West Bromwich Albion, while Sunderland will receive Preston North End at Roker Park.

The games are fairly well-distributed throughout the country. There will be two matches in London, two in the Midlands, one in the North, and two in Lancashire. Wolverhampton Wanderers and Sheffield Wednesday drew in the second round played at Wolverhampton last Saturday, and the team that wins in the replay will meet Brighton and Home Albion on their own ground. Thus, if Wednesday win, there will be one Cup match in Yorkshire, while if they are beaten there will be three games in the Midlands instead of two.

The only other Yorkshire team left in is Sheffield United, who accomplished a smart performance in the first round by going to Newcastle and beating the Northern eleven by five goals to nil. Sheffield United meet Milwall, at Milwall, in the third round, and the game should be a good one, for the London team are in good form just now, and in their cup-ties have beaten Chelsea and Bradford City.

A strange feature of the draw for the third round is the fact that the four Lancashire teams left in are drawn to meet. Blackburn Rovers play Manchester City, and Burnley play Bolton Wanderers, and it is safe to predict that big crowds will gather to see these local football "Derbys."

THE M. C. C. TOUR.

JOHANNESBURG, Feb. 3.

The cricket match between the M. C. C. and the Transvaal resulted in a draw.—Reuter.

FOOTBALL AT HOME.

ASSOCIATION RESULTS ON JANUARY 17.

The following is taken from the Australian papers received in Bombay on Sunday : —

LONDON, Jan 18.

The League Association matches yesterday resulted as follows : —

Preston North End defeated Sheffield Wednesday, 5 goals to nil ;
Everton beat Liverpool, 2 goals to 1;
Aston Villa beat Sunderland, 5 goals to nil ;
Manchester City beat Derby County, 4 goals to 2 ;
Middlesbrough beat Blackburn Rovers, 3 goals to nil ;
Burnley v. Bolton Wanderers, a draw;
Newcastle United v. West Bromwich Albion, a draw ;
Tottenham Hotspur beat Oldham Athletic, 3 goals to 1 ;
Sheffield United v. Bradford City, a draw ;
Chelsea defeated Manchester United, 1 goal to nil.

HOCKEY NOTES.

ENFIELD PLAYER CENSURED.

At a meeting of the Council of the Southern Counties Hockey Association, held at the First Avenue Hotel, Holborn, the council unanimously passed the following resolution:—"That having received a complaint from the Umpires' Association as to the conduct of a certain Enfield player in the match Goodmayes vs. Enfield on December 20, 1913, and having heard evidence as to the alleged misconduct, the council does hereby severely censure the player against whom the complaint was lodged, and also considers that the conduct on the other members of the Enfield team on that date is worthy of censure, and the Enfield Hockey Club is hereby ordered to pay the sum of £1 1s. to the Southern Counties Hockey Association towards the expenses of the matter."

THE NEW ZEALAND TOUR.

At a meeting of the council of the Hockey Association in the Railway Hotel, Beckenham, on Saturday, January 24, the tour of an English team in New Zealand was to have been further discussed and the final arrangements made. A German tour has also to be discussed, while other business of the meeting included the consideration of suggestions for alterations in the rules.

LADIES' COUNTY TOURNAMENT.

Weston-super-Mare, the Western Counties ladies' hockey tournament was continued in mail week. Cornwall Ladies beat Devonshire Ladies by 3 goals to 1; Gloucestershire Ladies beat Berkshire Ladies by 5 goals to nil; and Sussex Ladies, who have not lost a match so far, defeated Somersetshire Ladies by 2 goals to 1.

BOMBAY HUNT.

ANOTHER EXCELLENT MORNING.

As usually happens when a small Field turns out, yesterday's hunting was of the best we have had this season. Two excellent runs were given, the first from Irla to the Mango Tope, and the other from Sahar Village finishing between Marole and Vihar Lake. In both runs the pack put up a fine pace, and really bustled their jacks, giving them no opportunity but to run hard. Mr. Ash, who was again acting Master, gave a very good show of his ability to keep in close touch with his quarry, to which, without doubt, the pace of the runs was due.

An early start was made from Irla, a small Field of 40 following the Master to the draw. It was not long before a jack was found, which set off at a good pace for Chackla Hill, and crossing this sped across the valley below, and veering round cut across the Andheri Road making for Marol, Hounds, checked in a khoti, and the jack cutting back broke cover on the side he had entered and made for the Mango Tope. After a good fast run across the intervening country he mounted the Hill, but had no time to cover his tracks among the verdure, as hounds ran into him just as he reached the top.

Taking hounds back to Sahar Village the Master drew again, and a good stout jack got away. Making for the hills he crossed over the nullah, giving very good going over the open country to the Backwater which was covered at a fast pace. Veering the Backwater, he turned along it for a while, and crossed where the water was deep above the bund, through the plantation beyond, out on the Vehar Road. Coming to the big pipe, he turned to the left, and followed a course parallel to the road for some distance. Getting to the stony hill he broke across the road, and down to the Backwater, but did not cross, and eventually crossing the pipe came on to the Vihar Road again and crossed the hill into the Powai Valley, where he veered round and came back to the Vihar Road, and made for Marole.

After crossing the valley, a check occurred and the jack was seen to break towards Powai Lake. He put up a good pace too, and was quickly out of sight over the stretch of bunds. Hounds were soon after him, setting a fast pace, and passing Marole Hill on the left, eventually came out on to the Vihar Road, where they checked. Quickly casting to the left among the aloes at the side of the road, the Master had the satisfaction of finding his quarry lying low among them, and hounds made short work of him.

Thursday's meet is fixed for Santa Cruz.

BRITISH OFFICERS AND HORSE SHOWS.

When Continental military officers first began to compete in horse-shows in this and other countries, and showed us the sensational jumping feats which could be successfully performed by men and horses that had undergone a special training, our officers at once, as was only to be expected of them, immediately attempted to rival the feats which they had witnessed, but without realising that, not only did the horse require a very particular training but that it was also a training and competition for which the horse must be specially reserved. In a word, says the *Broad Arrow* it is only now beginning to be recognised that for success in ring-craft, if one may apply such a term to the horse-show, it is necessary to specialise, and that animals which may do admirably for pig-sticking, for polo, for hunting, or which are good enough to win, in good company, the regimental steeple-chase, can seldom be induced to show up well in the ring. No wonder, then, that our officers have achieved comparatively few successes in recent competitions, and the result has been to create an impression that the horsemanship of our officers was deteriorating, and that they were inferior in this respect to the admirable horsemen in their special line who competed annually at Olympia and took the best prizes back with them to foreign capitals. The Army Council has now issued a decree one which under the circumstances is perhaps wise, that military officers are not to compete in public horse-shows without special sanction. It is, however, to be hoped that, while exercising a restraining influence, the military authorities will offer facilities for officers to improve their purely *show* horsemanship and make themselves eligible to compete, with a fire chance of success, with their Continental comrades. Our officers, for the most part, prefer—and long may they do so—to use their horses for cross-country riding, and in this they are certainly pre-eminent ; and if officers are to take up and excel in show-riding, then the authorities should permit the acquisition, on exceptional terms, of remounts which evince unusual promise for jumping in the show-yard.

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KING FOOTBALL.

THE GREAT GAMES IN MAIL WEEK.

SOME FINE PERFORMANCES.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT)

LONDON, Jan. 16.

Few will fail to recognise that Association football is easily the most popular pastime in the world at the present time. The manner it has advanced during the past ten years is amazing, and there are upwards of 25 nations linked up with the English Football Association. There must be much in a game which commands such support. Of all the competitions in England, the one standing out alone is the Football Association Cup, or English Cup, as it is so widely known. The first round proper claimed attention on Saturday, and the figures in connection with the 32 matches are really remarkable. The attendance ranged from 32,500 at Liverpool down to 4,000 at Glossop, eight of the fixtures attracting over 20,000 spectators. The receipts also ruled high, the record being £1,565 at the Millwall V Chelsea match, whilst three other games produced gates of over £1,000.

SWINDON'S BIG PERFORMANCE.

Swindon undoubtedly accomplished the biggest performance. The Southern leaders had to receive Manchester United and as the latter are pressing Blackburn Rovers for top place in the First League, Swindon's prospects were not generally considered high. The Wiltshire club rose to the occasion, however, scoring the only goal of the match. It may be remarked that Swindon has not been beaten at home in a cup tie since 1906-7. From that period (1907-8) the club has taken part in 25 cup ties, winning 11, losing 6, and drawing 3, truly a fine record.

HOLDERS' EASY TASK.

Aston Villa, the holders of the cup had no difficulty in qualifying for the next round, Stoke going under by 4 goals to 0. It remained for Sunderland, beaten by "Villa" in the last final, to score the biggest win of the round, the team putting on 9 goals without response from Chatham. Another remarkable scoring game was seen at West Ham where the home side beat Chesterfield by 8 goals to 1. Nor did this end the big scoring games, as Leicester Fosse and Tottenham divided ten goals at Leicester.

HARD LUCK.

It fell to the lot of Newcastle to experience the hardest luck. The game against their visitors from Sheffield United was only about half over when Goodwill, one of the home forwards, was so injured that he had to retire. Even with ten men, Newcastle was putting up a game fight, but another piece of misfortune happened, Wilson, the home goalkeeper, having to retire. This handicap proved too much and Sheffield won by 5 goals to 0. There is no honour in such a victory, and it is astonishing that the authorities take no action to make matches genuine trials of skill between equal numbers.

Surprises were not quite so numerous as usual, the biggest being at Glossop, where the locals knocked Everton out of the competition by 2 goals to 1. The draw (1—1) which Brighton brought off at Oldham was another unexpected result as also was the 4 goals to 0 victory of Exeter on visiting Portsmouth.

Only one amateur team was left to compete in the First Round proper, London Caledonians gaining this honour They did fairly well against Huddersfield during the opening half but failed to stay going down by 3 goals to 0. Big hopes were centred in Chelsea but the club could only draw (0—0) at Millwall, the latter winning the replay at Chelsea by a goal to nil.

Other Metropolitan and Southern teams fared better in their replays, as Clapton Orient won (1—0) on visiting Notts Forest, and Queen's Park Rangers prevailed (2—0) on British City's ground, whilst Brighton conquered Oldham by one goal to 0.

GRAND NATIONAL ENTRIES.

Lutteur III will no doubt be awarded top weight in the Grand National Steeplechase, the entries (62) for which appeared yesterday. France can also be represented by Trianon III and Pompadour II, and as the home entries are not very inspiring, another win for a visitor may not be out of the question. Our most noted cracks are Covert Coat, Bloodstone, Rory O'Moore and Lord Rivers.

GREAT BILLIARDS.

The meeting of G. Gray and Tom Reece in the third of their matches is creating big interest. The Australian is conceding a start of 2000 points in 18000 up, and when the half-way stage was at hand his prospects appeared rosy, Reece only being 650 points in front. This was mainly due to Gray having an unfinished break of 800 to his credit, and he proceeded to increase this to 954. He did little else, however, so that Reece was 1103 points to the good, when the second half of the game opened. Gray commenced well with a break of 547, but Reece plodded steadily on and increased his lead to 1454 points. The scratchman evidently recognised that a big effort was necessary, and on the next day he scored no fewer than 2143 points to 660 by Reece, thus assuming the lead. His best efforts during the day were breaks of 311, 439 and 758, and his brilliant form completely altered the look of the game. Reece gained a useful lead the next afternoon, only to lose it in the evening again. He came again yesterday, however, establishing the useful advantage of 642 points, so that we may have a light finish to-morrow.

BOXING.

My readers have been informed that there is a project on foot to organise a series of boxing competitions for heavy weight novices, in the hope that a really good man will be discovered. Charlie Mitchell was discovered through a competition promoted in England by Billy Madden for the avowed purpose of finding an opponent for J.L. Sullivan with whom Madden had fallen out. Thus there is some ground for the idea. Another well known American sports man in Jack McAuliffe, who is now in England, has propounded an excellent idea for discovering talent. It is to promote a novice contest in various towns, taking the winner on to the next town (the victor in each town going on to the next). Thus the survivor would be the best of the towns concerned and with an unbeaten record.

AN INTERNATIONAL TRIAL.

With so many boxers striving for top place among the white cracks, it occurs to the writer that an International tournament to decide supremacy would be a big success. Suppose Gunboat Smith, Pelky, and Frank Moran of the United States, and Tommy Burns of Canada were classed in one group and left to settle which is the best? Then we could have another series of bouts in Europe, with Carpentier of France, Lang of Australia and Curran and Blake of England as the competitors. The winner of the American group could then meet the European winner for the championship. Of course the men would want big money, and the promoter or promoters would have to do things on a large scale, but there is no reason it should not prove a success. It is the sort of thing which ought to appeal to Mr. Hugh McIntosh, but the Australian promoter seems to have dropped out of the fistic game.

WELLS WINS.

We learnt nothing by the victory of Wells over Gunner Rawles at Belfast on Wednesday evening. The former was taller, had a longer reach, and was far more scientific. In spite of these advantages, he did not win until the tenth round, when the plucky Irishman was "all in" and his seconds threw the towel into the ring. Did Wells but possess a real punch, combined with aggressiveness, he might have won in a round—considering his many natural advantages.

ATHLETICS.

The Olympic cause has not benefited by a controversy in the Press between Sir Arthur Conan Doyle and Mr. C. Ottway, a well-known writer on the staff of *Sporting Life*.

The former claims that the failure of the Olympic fund is greatly due to the attitude of the Press in throwing cold water on practical suggestions, and generally criticising the aims and motives of the gentlemen who show a desire to help. There is some truth in this, but it is rather too sweeping. A portion of the Press has treated workers fairly, but another section has severely criticised or ignored some of the schemes, imputing personal motives to the promoters and workers. New organisations, such as the Amateur Field Events Association, and the Athletes' Advising Club have (and are having) a hard struggle, when one would have thought their aims would have commanded enthusiastic and general support.

Jealousy enters largely into sporting circles, and it is well illustrated by the attitude of London's two big sporting papers, when the rival is singled out as the favoured one for the arranging of a big sculling, billiard or boxing match.

To return to the controversy referred to, Mr. Ottway plainly states that the Special Berlin Committee failed to arouse the interest of the general public. There is no denying this. The gentlemen were above reproach in every way and all well known, but they were not really representative of the athletic world, that is, with a few exceptions.

We must have an Olympic Committee which is in touch with modern athletics and also which commands the support of the active athlete.

As to the immediate future, it is up to the different bodies governing athletics, cycling, swimming, etc., to "plough their own furrow." After all, it seems reasonable that these governing associations should be the best judges of their own particular requirements. Athletics on track and field is the most numerous and important branch of the Olympic Games, and it is therefore the Amateur Athletic Association which must be up and doing. An exchange of views between this body and the associations governing athletics in Australia, Canada, South Africa and New Zealand would no doubt help towards the desired end. The enlargement of the championship programme, the institution of county and district championships, the formation of Inter-Scholastic and Inter-Collegiate Athletic Associations (also holding championship meetings), are suggestions worthy the attention of the authorities.

IN GENERAL.

Ronald Dumar of South Africa proved no match for J. Prendy of London in their boxing engagement of 15 rounds on Monday. The end came in the fifth round, when the visitor's second gave in for his man.

The famous old Steeplechaser Rory O'Moore made a gallant attempt to win the Stayer's Steeplechase at Birmingham on Wednesday, only losing by a neck to Ilston, a 6-year old, receiving 14lb.

A. C. Telfer of Cambridge University showed excellent form when representing the Blackheath Harriers in a cross-country race last Saturday, his victory being gained against 108 rivals.

The feature of the Cannes lawn tennis tournament, which ended on Saturday, was the brilliant form of A. F. Wilding. The New Zealander secured the Singles, and then accounted for both the Gentlemen's and Mixed Doubles, being partnered by C. Biddle and Mlle. S. Lenglen repectively.

A capital struggle was seen in the Northern League lacrosse match between the Old Hulmenians and South Manchester, the former winning by 10 goals to 8.

BOMBAY GUN CLUB.

The usual fortnightly shoot of the Gun Club was held at Mahim on Sunday. The proceedings commenced with two ten-bird sweeps, which were won by D. W. Johnstone and Dr. Suter.

The Nobel Cup was then shot for, and W. S. Rogers with seven kills plus one handicap returned the highest score, and became holder of the Cup ; E. E. Janion taking second prize.

A competition at unknown traps and angles followed, Dr. Suter with 6 kills and 3 handicap being the winner, A. Leeson with 7 kills taking second prize.

A spoon shoot came next. E. E. Janion with 6 kills and 4 handicap returned the only possible and annexed the Spoon, W. S. Rogers with 8 kills taking second prize.

D. W. Johnstone was seen to advantage in the Colt one-barrel competition, and the final "Miss and Out" competitions, handicap by distance, were won by A. Leeson and R. Kennedy.

LAWN TENNIS.

In the match between the Bombay Gymkhana and the Parsi Gymkhana on the latter's ground to-day at 5 p.m., the following players have selected.

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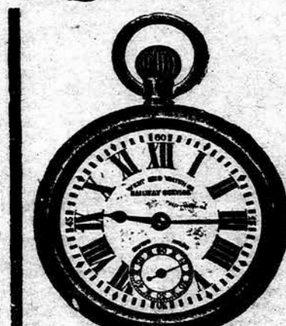
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EDUCATIONAL PROBLEMS IN BOMBAY.

That progress in education in India is not to be measured by figures alone has long been apparent. By lavish expenditure it would no doubt be possible to make large additions to the number of educational establishments and also to the attendance registers, but the present position demands rather increased efficiency in teaching than indiscriminate enhancement of school accommodation. This consideration has been emphasised by the reports of the Directors of Public Instruction in various Provinces, and it is obvious that until the position and emoluments of teachers in elementary schools are improved, efficiency in primary education will be unattainable. Bombay is in advance of some other parts of India in this respect. In his report for 1912-13, which was recently issued, Mr. W H. Sharp points out that considerable sums have been paid to teachers in improved pay during the past four years, and he foreshadows that in two more years "face-value and Code pay will be secured to all who are deserving of them." In the Central Division, however, the position of untrained teachers is unsatisfactory. Mr. Sharp observes that although the scale of their salaries has recently been raised to Rs. 9, 10 and 11 per month "it remains meagre and unattractive." But if these rates were augmented, the initial rates for trained teachers would also have to be raised, and the Director is not prepared to recommend the adoption of this step until at least the deficit in the Code pay, still amounting to over three lakhs, has been worked off. The advocates of compulsory primary education fail to realise the great cost that its introduction would involve; nor do they appear to appreciate that the raising of the standard of efficiency is of greater importance at the moment than the multiplication of schools. The idea that the introduction of Western education has impregnated the people of India with modern ideas is rudely dispelled by Mr. Sharp's report. "At Bakrani (Larkana)," he writes, "three schoolboys died suddenly (possibly poisoned by another boy), and the villagers rushed to the conclusion that the school was haunted. Some months later there were one or two deaths which frightened them more than ever. However, in June the assistant deputy lived in the house for some days, and on the Viceroy's birthday it was solemnly exorcised by the leading Moulvi and Bawa; further incantations were to be made after a month, and if nothing untoward occurred then the villagers promised to consider the question of sending their children to school again." This picture to the European is suggestive of the middle ages instead of the era of the aeroplane and wireless telegraphy. Another bizarre incident recorded in the report relates to the central school at Tankaria (Broach). This institution "was disturbed by a quarrel between the boarders and a Mahomedan boy of the village which resulted in the boarders running away for a time; but is now working peacefully as usual." Another astonishing story is narrated by Miss Brooke, the Inspectress of Schools in Sind. It appears that the headmistress of the Local Board School at Gajan Sahil made a special request that Miss Brooke should visit the institution, complaining that the parents objected to the girls being inspected by the Deputy Inspector and his assistants. The staff of this school is composed almost entirely of the head mistress and her relatives, and the lady's husband is also headmaster of the boys' school. Miss Brooke paid a formal visit to the institution, and found that the girls were fairly instructed in the three "R's." and in sewing. Sometime afterwards she made a surprise visit, and then discovered that the head mistress and the staff had left for a village some distance away. The headmaster of the boys' school had accompanied his wife after having thoughtfully filled in the attendance register of both schools for some days in advance. The question of the educational progress of the Mahomedan community is dealt with fully in the report. It is noteworthy, in view of recent developments, that in the Nasik District, where the number of Mussalmans under instruction exceeds that of the Brahmans, the Marathi schools are preferred by many Mahomedan parents to the Urdu schools specially intended for their children. In fact, it is affirmed that there does not appear to be much demand for a purely Urdu course. The significant statement is made, moreover, by the Mahomedan Deputy at Broach that the number of pupils there would increase greatly but for the Moulvis, who, for their own private advantage, preach against secular education, especially for girls, and by opening maktabs to teach the Koran take away many pupils from flourishing schools. The same official complains of "the mania for opening Urdu schools when the mother tongue of the pupils is Gujerati, and thus inflicting upon the children the burden of learning two languages badly instead of one well." The moral which these statements point deserves the attention both of the Mahomedan community and of the Government of Bombay.

THE DRAINAGE PROBLEM.

ONE of the most serious problems with which the Bombay Municipal Corporation are confronted is that relating to the disposal of the sewage of the Municipal area; and if we are to form a judgment of the situation from the papers circulated with the agenda of the February meeting of the Corporation, it is that considerable difference of opinion still exists as to the initiatory step to be taken. The Special Drainage Committee appointed to consider the question had before them estimates for the cost of providing a deep-sea outfall for the sewage, which "was recognised as being the most effectual way of removing the nuisance." These estimates amounted to a sum of nearly Rs. 47½ lakhs, which was reduced afterwards, approximately, to Rs. 36¾ lakhs. In consequence of the large amount involved, and of certain features in the tenderers' proposals which appeared open to objections, a Committee of local engineers were asked for an opinion and they said the work could be carried out at a cost of a little more than Rs. 22 lakhs. The subject was then referred to Sir John Wolfe-Barry whose report, practically, confirmed the views of the local engineers except that the latter's estimates were increased by about a lakh and a half of rupees. When Mr. Midgley-Taylor, one of the experts consulted by the Corporation, came out last year his opinion was also obtained and he saw no reason to differ from the recommendations made by Sir John Wolfe-Barry. It would appear, however, that the latter was unable to assert with confidence that the deep-sea outfall scheme would abate the nuisance. He said: "There is much fear that the sewage may be driven in by wave suction on to the foreshore and deposited for long distances during the prevalence of on-shore winds . . . . but if the scheme is not effectual in dispersing the sewage into deep water and the nuisance still continues, it may necessitate the provision of gravitation tanks to precipitate the sludge, with the help of chemicals . . . . and to remove the sludge . . . by barges, or employ it on land for cultivation." Neither the original nor the amended estimates provide for the chemical treatment and removal of the sludge which, as a member of the Committee pointed out in a dissenting note, was decided by the Corporation some years ago to be prohibitive in cost, and it would seem desirable that some further information should be obtained on this point. It is obvious, we think, that if the gravitation tanks can be constructed as a separate scheme and are more likely to be efficient than the deep-sea outfall no purpose would be served by undertaking the latter. The contention by another member of the Committee who dissented from the report, that the outfall scheme should be proceeded with is untenable. He admits that "the final effect of the construction of the outfall is problematical," and then, somewhat inconsequently, argues that it should be undertaken forthwith. More is to be said for the proposal to obtain opinions with regard to the gravitation tanks scheme so that the advantages of both may be compared. The Corporation need not "sit with folded hands"; but it would surely be folly to embark on an expenditure of nearly Rs. 24 lakhs without a definite assurance that its object would be achieved.

Notes of the Day.

The retirement of Mr. Justice Bucknill was not unexpected, for the likelihood of that event was mentioned some weeks ago. It was stated at the time that his desire was to devote himself to the interests of Freemasonry. Sir Thomas is well known as an enthusiastic member of the Craft and for ten years has been Provincial Grand Master of Surrey.

The attendance at the meeting of the Western India Kennel Club, held on Monday night to discuss the question of this year's Dog Show, was not encouraging. Only six were present, of whom but two, including the Honorary Secretary, were members and consequently no business could be done. The date of the Horse Show, in conjunction with which the Dog Show has been held hitherto, is not far distant, and if a show is to be held this year the necessary arrangements ought to be taken in hand at once. It would be a pity if the event had to be dropped for lack of support; but it is almost inevitable that this will happen if assistance, financial and otherwise, is not quickly forthcoming. There must be many people in Bombay who are anxious to show their canine pets, and if they do not wish to be deprived of the opportunity of doing so, they should attend the next meeting of the Club which is to be convened in a few days' time.

Strikes and other dislocations of labour are, usually, grim records of inhumanity and suffering which rarely permit the saving touch of humour to lighten the gloom through which the spectator witnesses the struggle. The most recent cleavage between master and servant, however, belongs to another class, and the short account Reuter contributes of scenes in Herefordshire, where school teachers are endeavouring to wrest terms from the Education Authority, is almost Gilbertian in character. The pupils' resentment of the presence of strike-breaking teachers will easily be understood by those who are able to recall their own early days, quite apart from the sporting dislike which the generosity of youth might be expected to display to those who interfere in a straight fight. All that is wanted to complete the situation is a climax similar to that reached in London and other British towns a couple of years ago when, it is interesting just now to recall, pupils of both sexes in many schools, "struck" for "shorter hours" and "no caning."

The improvement of the surroundings of a celebrated monument, the Kutb Minar, and also of Indrapat, kept the Superintendent of Monuments in the Northern Circle a good deal in Delhi during last cold weather. These, however, are by no means the only works which are to be undertaken by his Department in that city. The vicinity of Delhi, as is well-known, abounds with archæological and historical remains and it is intended to undertake a somewhat extended programme of improvements in their immediate vicinity. Considerable alterations are to be made at the Fort; the *glacis* and the barracks will be removed, and the whole of the interior laid out as a garden. Visitors will remember that some portions of the Fort at present contain lawns and shrubs, but otherwise the place presents a bare appearance, and the scheme, if it is well carried out, should prove acceptable. A list has been made of the monuments which it is thought desirable to preserve in the building operations of the new capital, and this comprises as many as three hundred. The ancient monuments of the former cities of Delhi, the Superintendent's Annual Report states, are closely bound up with the future of the City, and during 1913, three special grants amounting to nearly Rs. 50,000 were spent at Delhi on the preservation and improvement of some of them. Other grants will be made in the future on the basis of estimates which are now being prepared.

Although the forecast is not so full of promise as could be wished, it is nevertheless possible to derive considerable satisfaction from the weather report, wired from Simla, yesterday. It was stated that the disturbed conditions, which had been manifesting themselves for some days in the North, were intensifying, and that it was raining at many stations in the Punjab, although no large falls had occurred. For the future there was hope of an extension of the area of rainfall into the South-East of the Province and into the adjoining districts of the United Provinces. It would, perhaps, be foolish to regard the report as a reason for optimism, and to imagine that agricultural distress in that part of India will now be removed, mainly because many thousands of raiyats have already sustained crushing losses; but there is this possibility, that the appearance of rain will tend to a reduction in the prices of food-grains which, with the assistance Government and private relief movements will be able to afford, will do something towards checking any large extension of the area of scarcity. Until a day or two ago prices in the Punjab were above normal in some districts and at warning point in others, and in these, at least, the appearance of rain should have a steadying influence. In the United Provinces, however, there is a graver problem to be faced, and Government, as we remarked the other day, have already been compelled to set in motion the official machinery of relief.

CALCUTTA LETTER.

TORRENS VERBORUM.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, Feb. 1.

The past week was one of annual meetings, annual dinners, annual conferences. When I throw in an enquiry into the Port facilities provoking a volume of statement and suggestion, I think you will agree that the conscientious newspaper reader was overwhelmed by a veritable torrent of words; but it would be ungracious to hint that any portion of it was *inanis*. On the contrary, if all the reports that appeared in the daily papers were intelligently studied the result would be a comprehensive knowledge of the economic development of Bengal. To support this proposition let me just enumerate the statements submitted to the Port Facilities Committee. These emanated from the Jute, Salt, Sugar and Shipping trades; then there was the representation of the Marwari Association which really protects the interests of middlemen in all branches of commerce. In every case the brief was exhaustive leaving no nook unexplored in the whole field If the student limited himself to this literature his knowledge of Calcutta's place in the sun would be pretty extensive; but it was not quite half of the curriculum. The annual meeting of the Indian Mining and Geological Institute and the consequent dinner, provided information of a singularly illuminating character regarding the coal industry; whilst the annual meeting of the Calcutta Trades' Association and its concomitant banquet discovered great spaces of miscellaneous activity inseparable from a large and up-to-date capital. The Co-operative Conference took the student back to the land and agriculture. I think I have proved my proposition.

Long before you get this letter you will have received the exchanges containing the reports to which I have referred; there is no need, therefore, for me to summarise them for your edification. I will confine myself to the human touches which salted the feast for the dilletante in public affairs.

A CRUSTED CONSERVATIVE.

Mr. F. J. Agabeg, or as he prefers to be called, Colonel Agabeg, who has been elected President of the Indian Mining and Geological Institute for the ensuing year is a crusted conservative in politics, albeit an enterprising progressive in all appertaining to mining engineering of which he is one of the oldest exponents in Bengal. He has a reverence amounting to worship of constitutional authority and would uphold the law, however severe and illogical, with the heroism of Regulus. He said at the Mining dinner on Friday that if Mr Adams the Government Inspector of Mines were to prosecute him for a breach of the Mining Act, and get him fined, he would not hesitate to give his prosecutor a lift in his car and a drink. His contempt for democratic institutions was shown by his sneering references to inquisitive shareholders who poked their noses where they were not wanted and into what they did not understand. He is the General Manager of Messrs Apsar and Co's collieries which are all privately financed, and as for his great ability, capacity, and integrity he has long been allowed a free hand—an undisputed autocracy; he is impatient of the timidity and delay of modern managing agents. His autocratic bump has been further developed by his volunteering experience. He was among the first members of that fine corps, the Chota Nagpur Light Horse and for several years has commanded it, employing with much success the methods of a benevolent martinet. You will hardly be surprised to be told after this prelude that he is scornfully indignant at the methods of Mr. Lloyd George. It was most amusing to hear him pour into the ears of Lord Carmichael abuse of the Radicals who are imperilling the Empire, robbing the Dukes, and starving the Navy. When Colonel Agabeg retires from Bengal coal, he intends to settle in England which he regards as his home, and to that end has bought ten acres from the Duke of Bedford somewhere in the vicinity of Woburn Abbey. He insists that the Duke is one of the best landlords in England and would also be one of the best legislators if the pesky Welsh Chancellor of the Exchequer would but let him. How Lord Carmichael managed to keep his countenance while this argument was being developed beats me. I certainly think that our Governor should have been in the Diplomatic Service, his face never betrays his heart.

THE COAL TRADE.

Notwithstanding the peculiarity I have described Colonel Agabeg is both popular and respected in the mining districts. He has enormous influence among the Armenians who swarm in the mines, and he is hospitable to a fault. His pride in his profession is consuming and commensurate with his devotion in protecting its interests. His speeches at the meeting and the dinner were thoroughly characteristic, and the applause with which they were received testified rather to his personal popularity than to the profundity of his judgment. Perhaps the very best thing he said during the whole time he was on his feet was that the Indian miner has to be treated paternally by the mine-manager. He is a child of nature, wilful and cunning, and you have to break him in as you would a valuable and spirited horse with a pain in his temper. Colonel Agabeg believes that this can best be done in the old "bahadur" way, and maybe, he is right. The new President has promised to make things hum during his term of office, determined to bully all scientific miners into writing papers for the Institute. Nobody is better qualified for such a task, and everybody is sure that he will justify his election.

"JAPHET IN SEARCH OF A FATHER."

Lord Carmichael's speech was as usual non-committal. He played his favourite role of "Japhet in search of a Father." He did not know much about the subject, but he was willing to learn, and would be delighted to accept the invitation of Colonel Agabeg to visit his mines next month to begin his education. He was in the last degree sympathetic with the claims and aspirations of the Institute and would do all he personally could to assist their attainment It was a pleasant after-dinner speech, offering no challenge and provoking no protest.

From all the speeches delivered either at the meeting or the banquet, there was one notable omission which has exasperated the speculative public. Shareholders wanted very badly to know the full extent of the damage caused by the recent floods; but that knowledge was denied them. There is an impression abroad that the Managing Agents are really afraid to let the public into full confidence, because it would result in the market for coal shares tumbling to pieces in a most alarming manner. What foundation there is for this belief it is very hard to say, but it is pretty certain that the most solvent companies are beginning to look to their reserves to tide them over an awkward crisis that looms in the near distance.

We are about to lose two of our leading coal men, each of whom has occupied the chair of the Indian Mining Association. Mr. Topping, who is retiring from Messrs. Macneill and Co., is an old resident of Calcutta, having come out to the firm thirty years ago. He is what you would call "a nice man." Everybody likes him, nobody speaks ill of him. He makes no pretension to brilliancy, but in the whole industry there is none who is more trusted. His departure is much regretted, for it will not be easy to fill the place he gained in our affections. The other loss is that of Mr. Wanklyn, the head of Messrs. Andrew Yule and Co.'s coal department. He has been with us only for five years and has been identified with the recent history of the Bengal Coal Company, the first in the land. There is a chance of Mr. Wanklyn coming back after a long holiday, but his present intention is to retire. The public is curious to see how the "Equitable" and "Bengal" will thrive under new kings.

TRADE AND CIVISM.

The Calcutta Trades' Association held their annual meeting on Tuesday, when they elected Mr. W. J. Bradshaw as Master in succession to Mr. W. H. Phelps, who it was thought would be re-elected. Mr. Bradshaw was Master in 1900, the year of the Boer War. In returning thanks for the honour of recall he recounted his services, in a way that led to uproarious laughter—"Gentlemen," he said, "I have represented you in the Calcutta Corporation, I have represented you in the Bengal Legislative Council, I have represented you in the Presidency General Hospital, and I have represented you in the Lunatic Asylum Then the explosion occurred, and the speaker looked as surprised as a child.

Mr. Phelps had very long to wait for the honour of the chair, yet his reign was by no means a failure. He has some decided views on public service which are not endorsed by all his associates and is a bit of a reactionary from the democracy which has invaded the Calcutta trades.

Before laying down his sceptre Mr. Phelps scolded the European residents of Calcutta for being so indifferent to municipal affairs. His style was that of a church-warden and it did not quite go down. But he had good reason for his vexation. The Europeans are eternally girding at the Corporation for doing things it should not do and leaving undone those things which clamour for attention. The European associations keep on asking for more representation for themselves and less for the "Babus"; yet it requires a mighty effort to get Europeans to consent to serve on the Corporation, and when they do serve to take a real interest in their work. It would be the merest affectation to deny that the ordinary European looks on India as a place of exile with the single compensation of profit-yielding. But it does not do to tell him so, and Mr. Phelps's candour has not served to make him any more popular than when he wandered in the wilderness for twenty years. At the banquet last night Mr. Phelps shifted his attack from his fellows to the Government of India. He rated the latter soundly for daring to impute extravagance to the Calcutta Corporation. It was worse than the pot calling the kettle black. The amenities on which the Corporation spent a few lakhs were tangible. Could the same be said of the folly on which the Government of India were squandering millions at Delhi? The audience roared a denial.

Lord Carmichael's speech at the Traders' dinner was even more humorously vague and evasive than that at the Mining dinner the night before. I was sitting beside one of the members of the Committee, who after listening to His Excellency attentively for five minutes, turned to me with the question: "Is he codding us?" That was exactly what the Governor was doing, but so pleasantly that it was impossible to feel hurt.

MOTOR TRACTION.

Motor traction is very much in the air at the moment. The prospectus of the Calcutta Motor Transport Co. Ltd., was issued in the week under review, and I hear that the issue has attracted considerable notice among investors. The proposition seems a very sound one, for Mr. P. H. Michael, who is the life and soul of the enterprise, has prepared the ground with great conscientiousness. He spent three years in collecting reliable data of transport necessities and possibilities, and experimented at his own expense with a Renard-road train and motor lorries. He took his scheme to England and submitted it to experts from whom it gained approval. Colonel Ewart, the military expert, said it was the most exhaustive scheme he had ever been called upon to report. This encomium induced Messrs Dennis, the well-known manufacturers, to take 33 per cent. of the present issue. This is perhaps the highest credential from an investor's point of view. Sir Salter Payne, who also intends to exploit the motor traction possibilities of Calcutta, on Friday, gave a bioscopic exhibition of the realities of railless tramways. As a complement of the ordinary tramway service the device looks promising. There is room for all, that is why we are impatient that somebody should start in at once *pour encourager les autres*.

CONTEMPT OF COURT.

Just a tit-bit to end with. You will have learnt through the Associated Press that Sir Frederick Halliday, Commissioner of Police, distributed awards to the people who assisted in capturing the man that shot Inspector Nripendra Nath Ghose. Well, he advertised in the local papers for all who took part in the hunt. In one paper the present accused were referred to as the "murderers" of Nripendra. That paper has been served with a notice to show cause why it should not be committed for contempt of court. The paper is going to fight the case.

HOME POLITICAL SITUATION.

PROBLEMS OF THE MINISTRY.

MR. BONAR LAW & THE ELECTION RUMOUR.

CONVINCED "IT IS NOT FAR DISTANT."

LONDON, Feb. 2.

Mr. Bonar Law, in a letter, says he is convinced that a General Election is not far distant.

The Unionist headquarters have circularised Unionist agents to be prepared for an election in May. It is pointed out that the Government are not only faced with the Ulster problem and the revolt over the Navy Estimates; but it is also declared that many Liberals and Labourites will demand that the Royal Assent be refused to the South African Indemnity Bill.

A HOME RULE CONFERENCE.

Messrs. Asquith, Redmond and Birrell conferred for an hour-and-a-half to-day at Downing Street, when they discussed the safeguards to be adopted with regard to Ulster.—Reuter.

THE TEACHERS' STRIKE.

CHILDREN ACTIVE PARTIZANS OF THE MALCONTENTS.

LONDON, Feb. 3.

Lively scenes have been occurring in connection with the strike of teachers in Herefordshire, pupils, resenting the presence of strike-breaking teachers, overturning desks and throwing inkpots and books about.

Several collisions have taken place in the streets between striking and non-striking children, whom parents have had to separate.—Reuter.

[It was declared in a statement of the teachers' position, issued some few months ago, that the average salary of headmasters in the county of Hereford was £138 18s. 6d. a year, compared with an average for England of £176 3s. 11d. The average for headmistresses was £87 19s. 2d. compared with an average for England of £122 18s. 1d. The county education rate of 6 1-2d. in the pound was the lowest in the Kingdom.]

LOOPING THE LOOP.

PERFORMANCE BEFORE THEIR MAJESTIES.

LONDON, Feb. 2

Mr. Hamel gave an exhibition in an aeroplane before Their Majesties at Windsor to day. He "looped the loop" fourteen times and executed two wonderful double turns. Their Majesties subsequently congratulated him. —Reuter.

LORD STRATHCONA'S WILL.

MUNIFICENT BEQUESTS FOR PUBLIC PURPOSES.

LONDON, Feb. 2.

The late Lord Strathcona left his Scottish estate of the value of £500,000 to his heirs succeeding to the title. Among the bequests are £200,000 to Victoria College, Montreal; £100,000 to the Victoria Hospital, Montreal, and £100,000 to Yale University.

Among others receiving legacies are English and Scottish Universities and charities, the residue going to Lord Strathcona's daughter, who is now Lady Strathcona.—Reuter.

MR. JUSTICE BUCKNILL RETIRES.

A SPORTING JUDGE.

LONDON, Feb. 2.

Mr. Justice Bucknill has resigned on account of ill-health.—Reuter.

Mr. Justice Bucknill has completed his fifteenth year on the Bench, and almost his 69th year of age, having been born on April 18, 1845, and appointed a judge of the High Court on Jan. 2, 1899. The son of Sir J. C. Bucknill, one of the pioneers of the Volunteer movement in the West of England, Sir Thomas Bucknill joined the Bar at the Inner Temple in 1868, and took silk in 1885, when he was appointed Recorder of Exeter, near which he was born. In 1892 he was returned as Conservative member for the Epsom Division of Surrey, which he represented until he was raised to the Bench. Sir Thomas has been one of the "racing judges." Indeed, in his younger days he once rode as a gentleman jockey, under an assumed name. While fond of racing he never made bets. A daring rider to hounds, he met with his share of accidents. Only last May he was thrown from his horse on Epsom Downs and sustained a broken rib, notwithstanding which he travelled to London and sat in the Courts. Among the stories he has told of himself is one about his imprisonment, when a lad, by his own grandfather, for getting into the hands of gipsies in Bosworth Park. The imprisonment lasted only an hour. Once when acting as Vacation Judge, Mr. Justice Bucknill granted an injunction while he was engaged in a game of golf, and on another occasion he granted an injunction while out shooting. On the latter case coming into Court counsel said: "Your lordship may remember this case." "I do, indeed," replied the judge, "because I nearly killed a pheasant, a barrister, and a solicitor with one shot." The late Sir Frank Lockwood once declared that "Tommy" Bucknill (as he was generally, and liked to be, called) was the most popular man at the Bar.

THE DEPORTATIONS.

LORD GLADSTONE NOT RESPONSIBLE.

MATTER TO BE TESTED IN THE COURTS.

CAPETOWN, Feb. 2.

The Indemnity Bill passed the first reading after a Labour amendment had been proposed denouncing the deportations. The amendment was rejected, Labourites alone forming the minority

CAPETOWN, Feb. 3.

In the course of the debate on the Indemnity Bill, the House of Parliament was thronged and presented a very impressive appearance.

Sir Thomas Smartt, Leader of the Opposition, asked his followers to suspend judgment pending a full statement by the Government. He added that, although he regretted that the Government had not taken the earliest opportunity of explaining its action, he held it to be the duty of the Government to use every instrument to maintain order.

General Smuts, replying, pointed out that it was not usual to make a statement on the first reading of a Bill. The Government, he added, would explain fully on Wednesday,

The Labour Leader, Mr. Creswell, virulently attacked the Government, which he accused of fostering unrest. He made an impassioned but fruitless appeal to the followers of General Hertzog and the Opposition to join in the attack on the Government.

The Speaker refused a Labourite motion to intercept the steamer Umgeni.

LONDON, Feb. 3.

Mr. Herbert Samuel, Postmaster-General, speaking at Harrogate, declared that the responsibility for the deportation of the South African Labour leaders did not rest with Lord Gladstone, whose assent was not asked because it was not required.

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald announces that the South African deportations will be made the subject of an official amendment to the Address when Parliament meets. The matter will also be tested in the Courts in an action against the owners and captain of the Umgeni for illegal detention.—Reuter.

CHINA'S REFORM.

SITUATION FAR BETTER THAN A YEAR AGO.

LONDON, Feb. 3.

The *Times*, referring to the option granted to the American Red Cross Society by the Chinese Ministry of Agriculture in relation to conservancy works on the Lower Hwaiho, emphasises the significance of this attempt to save large numbers from privation and misery in a small corner of China. The journal says that though the Chinese authorities are not undertaking the work themselves, it is something to know that they are giving active support in guaranteeing the cost. After recalling the hard things that have been said about the Chinese administration during last year or two, it considers the situation far better than a year ago. China, it adds, is once more assuming the semblance of a cohesive whole.—Reuter.

ASIATIC QUESTION IN THE UNITED STATES.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 3.

The House of Representatives has adopted an amendment to the Immigration Bill excluding Hindus, Mongolians or members of the Yellow races, Malays, and Africans from the country, except where their right to entry is governed by treaty.—Reuter.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 3.

A rider has been added to the Alien Exclusion Amendment to the Immigration Bill, providing that, unless otherwise stipulated in existing agreements, all conventions and agreements shall hereafter comprise this exclusion. The proposed legislation would not affect Japanese immigration.—Reuter.

ATLANTIC RATE WAR.

BREMEN, Feb. 3.

Overtures are already being made with a view to ending the Atlantic rate war. The Norddeutscher Lloyd has consented to a prolongation of the agreements till the end of February in order to facilitate further negotiations. The Hamburg-Amerika Company has not yet replied.—Reuter.

THE CHINESE BRIGANDS.

JESUIT PRIESTS RELEASED.

SHANGHAI, Feb. 3.

Fathers Allain and DeLa Taille, the two French Jesuits held to ransom by bandits after the sack of Liuan-chow, have been released and have reached a place of safety.—Reuter.

ISSUE OF FRENCH BONDS.

PARIS, Feb. 3.

The Budget Committee of the Chamber has authorised the Government to issue 800,000,000 francs worth of Bonds.—Reuter.

CHINESE FINANCE.

PEKING, Feb. 2.

All liabilities for 1913 secured upon the Customs and Salt Tax have been met.—Reuter.

Gas under high pressure is by far the cheapest and most powerful illuminant known and is particularly suitable for mills, big shops, godowns, railway stations, all large open spaces and streets.

AIR TRAGEDY.

TWO KILLED IN BOMB-THROWING FLIGHT.

LONDON, Feb. 3.

A military aviator, Lieutenant Belvert, with a passenger, Captain Niquet, have been killed at Bourges during a bomb-throwing flight.—Reuter.

ESPIONAGE CHARGES.

TRIAL BEHIND CLOSED DOORS IN BERLIN.

BERLIN, Feb. 3.

The trial of the retired naval captain, Von der Goltz, a relative of Marshal von der Goltz, the regenerator of the Turkish army, has begun behind closed doors. The charge against him is not specified, but it is supposed to be in connection with the betrayal of military secrets. The accused was at the time of his arrest a representative in Berlin of Ehrhardts, the Duesseldorf firm of gunmakers.

A petty-officer attached to the wireless service was sentenced to-day to 43 months' penal servitude for the betrayal of secrets.—Reuter.

THE £3 TAX.

DURBAN, Feb. 3.

Giving evidence before the Commission, the managers of Messrs. Kynochs and another firm declared that the chief objection to the £3 tax was the unfair manner of its collection. Men who were in arrears became vagabonds for fear of the police.—Reuter.

INTERVIEW WITH THE AGA KHAN.

[ASSOCIATED PRESS.]

CALCUTTA, Feb. 3.

Interviewed by the *Statesman* here last night, the Aga Khan, referring to affairs in South Africa said he was very hopeful that the deliberations would result in a settlement which would be satisfactory to all parties concerned. It was, he added, extremely fortunate that Sir Benjamin Robertson, whose sound judgment and wide knowledge of Indian affairs were well known, had gone to the seat of the trouble.

DEATH OF A FRENCH ADMIRAL.

LONDON, Feb. 3.

The death is announced of Admiral Germinet of the French navy.—Reuter.

DEVELOPMENT OF CENTRAL AFRICA.

LONDON, Feb. 3.

The German railway from Dar-es-Salam to Lake Tanganyika was completed yesterday. It is expected to exercise an important influence on the economic future of Central Africa. Expresses will be able to cover the journey from the sea to the lake in two days.—Reuter.

"PARSIFAL" PRODUCED FOR FIRST TIME IN ENGLAND.

LONDON, Feb. 3.

"Parsifal" produced for the first time in England at Covent Garden last night. The setting was most brilliant. The audience included Queen Alexandra. A queue of enthusiasts began to form at 4-30 in the morning.—Reuter.

ITALIAN CONSUL ARRESTED IN MEXICO.

LONDON, Feb. 3.

Signor Paperilli, the Italian Consul at Chihuahua in Mexico, has been arrested by Federal troops. The Italian Government has protested.—Reuter.

FRANCHISE RIOTS IN BRUNSWICK.

BERLIN, Feb. 3.

Socialist mass-meetings, held in Brunswick to protest against the existing franchise, have resulted in collisions with the police, many persons being injured.

The Duke Ernst Auguste refused to allow his Castle-gates to be shut.—Reuter.

COMMERCIAL MORALITY IN THE U. S.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 3.

The Senate has requested the Inter-State Commerce Commission to investigate the charges made against the United States Steel Corporation of receiving rebates from railways.—Reuter.

SIR JAMES MESTON.

[ASSOCIATED PRESS.]

LUCKNOW, Feb. 3,

His Honour the Lieut-Governor, accompanied by Lady Meston and staff, left Lucknow to-day by special train for Benares where he will stay till the 6th instant. Other places included in His Honour's tour are Fyzabad, Sitapur, Aligarh and Meerut. His Honour will return to Allahabad on February 26.

FALSE TRADE MARKS.

[ASSOCIATED PRESS.]

RANGOON, Feb. 3.

The Chief Court of Lower Burma has decided that a limited company can be prosecuted under Section 482 I. P. C. for using a false trade mark. This decision was given in a criminal reference by one of the judges to the Bench in the case Heneefa and Company vs. Liptons Ld., for using a false trade property mark of the Red Rose Tea on their packages.

A DURBAR AT LARKANA.

GOVERNOR AND SIND AGRICULTURE.

CO OPERATION URGED.

[ASSOCIATED PRESS.]

LARKANA, Feb. 3.

Lord Willingdon had very enjoyable sport on Sunday and Monday, which he spent in duck shooting. The party bagged on these two days all but three to make up a thousand duck. They also got sixty-one snipe. Of the 744 duck secured on Sunday the Governor's share was 130, which was seven less than what fell to the gun of Mr. Lucas, the Commissioner of Sind. Next day His Excellency not only made up the deficiency but secured six more than Mr. Lucas, who came out with a bag of only forty duck. Mr. Watson had 102 duck and 25 snipe as his share.

To-morrow Their Excellencies will be the guests of the Commissioner in Sind and will enjoy a day's partridge shooting. Lord and Lady Willingdon will entrain at 10 a.m. on Thursday at Naobero-station for Sukkur, where His Excellency will reply to a Municipal Address.

THE DURBAR.

Dusty Larkana was on fete to-day in view of the fact that the Governor was holding a big Durbar at which various titles and honours were to be presented to local persons of importance. The Durbar was held in the open camp compound where a shamiana was erected for the purpose. The main road leading to the shamiana was lined by the police, who looked very smart in their picturesque red puggrees with black pyramidal centres, khaki uniforms with putties, brown boots and belts. School children holding coloured flags lined the immediate approach to the compound.

Under the shamiana was a thickly carpeted, raised platform, in the centre of which were two high backed silver chairs upholstered in velvet for Their Excellencies. The walls of the shamiana were decorated with most beautiful curtains of Sindhi manufacture, and above Their Excellencies' seats there was suspended a magnificent purple curtain richly embroidered with silver.

The Governor and Lady Willingdon, followed by the chief officials, drove up at 10 minutes past twelve in a brown coloured barouche drawn by four bays. They were preceded by mounted police. After an inspection of the police guard of honour, Their Excellencies took their seats, and the Collector then declared the Durbar open.

Then the Durbaris, mostly very aged, were presented to the Governor who shook hands with them to their evident great delight. After this about a dozen Indian military officers stepped smartly up to the platform where they were presented to His Excellency. The next item was the presentation of sanads and badges which had been conferred on the recipients by His Excellency the Viceroy.

The following were the sanads: — Sanad of Rao Bahadur to Mr. Parulekar, Executive Engineer of Eastern Nara. Mr. Parulekar used to belong to Bombay before coming to Sind. Sanad of Khan Bahadur to Mir Baksh, retired Deputy Collector, Sanad of Khan Sahib to Mr. Wadero Alinawaz Jalbani, Mr. Serai Gonhwarkhan Isran and to Mr. Panah Ali Shah, retired Inspector of Police. Sanad of Rao Sahib to Mr. Lalchand Hassoomal. Two swords encased in green plush were then presented to their new owners, and this was followed by a presentation of five lungis and five afrinamas.

THE GOVERNOR'S SPEECH.

The Governor spoke as follows :—

Lady Willingdon and I would like in the first place to express our very real pleasure at having been able thus early in our residence in India to pay a visit to the important province of Sind. We are delighted to meet and make the acquaintance of this large and influential gathering of loyal zamindars, who, I feel sure, all take the keenest interest in securing the educational, moral and material welfare of those who live in this part of the Bombay Presidency. I trust that on the whole you may feel that the season has been a fairly satisfactory one, though I am fully aware that the conditions of the rainfall have not been altogether satisfactory. I much wish that we could harness the rains or the great rivers which flow through the country to such good purpose that we could ensure no damage to crops or property. But while this ideal is clearly impossible, you will agree that much is being done towards irrigation to increase the great agricultural possibilities of this district, and you may rely on Government taking all necessary steps within its means to further develop your resources. Already there are schemes in contemplation for the improvement of your canal system, particularly in the upper portion of the Dhar and in the western Nara. I understand that the water supply is very unsatisfactory between the mouth of the Dhamrao Canal and the junction with the Pritchard Canal, and trust that schemes for the improvement of this supply which we have before us may be productive of the best results. While I am on this subject, I should like to express my warm appreciation of the prompt and valuable assistance, which has been rendered by the zamindars in clearing the mouths of the Western Nara and the Pritchard Canal when they were silted up, and all the crops were in dangar, and to congratulate those responsible for the work on the comparative immunity from serious breaches in the canals which is a matter of such importance to the district. I am very glad to hear that the institution of the District and Sessions Court at Larkana has proved a great convenience to litigants and particularly to witnesses. It is a matter of great interest to me to learn that vigorous measures are being taken by you to improve and encourage the great industry of agriculture, and I trust that the experiments which are being made on the Government Farm may give you valuable assistance in your efforts. I understand that you propose to hold an agricultural show in February, and trust before many years are over to find such shows organized as annual events in all parts of the Presidency. There is nothing which will conduce more to the improvement of your crops and the encouragement of really good breeds of horses, mules and cattle than the friendly competition of landowners and farmers in the various districts. I am personally aware of the excellency of your local breed of cattle, of which I have a herd in my home farm at Poona, and I would strongly urge all those interested in agriculture to co-operate together in order to secure in the future the highest quality of all seeds and stock which they intend to grow on their land. Veterinary dispensaries are of the highest importance in connection with stock-raising, and I am glad to know that in Larkana there is one which is doing excellent work, and that another is shortly to be opened at Dadu. Let me urge you to give the earliest notification to the officer in charge, on the outbreak of any epidemic disease and thus ensure receiving the full benefit of these preventive establishments. I regret to learn that there is still much cattle thieving and violent crime amongst your people and sincerely hope that with increasing education this may show a marked diminution. It is my sincere wish to see the citizens of this country growing up to be honest, high principled, useful men giving their brains and energies to lawful methods of earning their livelihood. I am glad to learn in this connection that your education is progressing in a sound and satisfactory manner and hope that the new high school, when built, will increase your opportunities for securing the best instruction for your children. I am aware that a scheme has been forwarded to Government for the provision of a male hospital at Dadu. I am unable to give you any definite information on this matter beyond telling you that the scheme is under examination and that provided the Government are satisfied that it is well calculated to meet the local demand for medical relief we shall certainly be prepared to consider favourably the question of an allotment from such funds as may be available. Once more let me assure you of our great pleasure in being amongst you, more particularly on this occasion when I have this happy opportunity of doing honour to officers of this district for good work well done for the State and country. While we are living in your land it will always be our endeavour to work for the general welfare of the whole community in the Presidency, and I trust that when next we visit your country you may greet us as your friends and may give us a welcome as warm and friendly as the one which we have received to-day."

The Governor's speech was translated into Sindhi by Mr. Smyth, Assistant Commissioner of Sind. The proceedings which had lasted nearly an hour then closed with the usual distribution of pan and attar after which the procession was re-formed and Their Excellencies drove back to their camp.

Earlier in the morning before the Durbar was opened Her Excellency motored down to the Baker Hospital, where she spent half an hour.

Their Excellencies left this afternoon at 5 o'clock on board the s. s. Jhelum at Akil and their next public appearance will be on Thursday at 11 a. m., when Lord Willingdon will receive and reply to the Municipal address at Sukkur. The arrival at Sukkur will be public.

MURDER OF BRITISH OFFICER.

SEPOY'S EXPLANATION OF HIS ACT.

[ASSOCIATED PRESS.]

LAHORE, Feb. 3.

Further particulars regarding the murder of Captain Butler at Wano show that a sepoys' dance was in progress in the fort as a farewell to a subadar retiring on pension, when the deceased officer, who was sitting on a chair, was suddenly shot from behind and died almost immediately. The murderer ran for shelter to some water tanks close by, but was rushed by two havildars whom he attempted to shoot, but missed.

After his arrest the murderer stated that he had been seized with a mad impulse to kill an Englishman by hearing the native drums beating for the dance.

B. I. ENGINEERS CENSURED

[ASSOCIATED PRESS.]

CALCUTTA, Feb. 3.

In the Bangala boiler damage case the Marine Court of Enquiry in the course of the judgment, which was delivered to-day, stated:—We are of opinion that the third engineer was to blame for the accident and he should be severely censured. We are also of opinion that the chief and second engineers have been extremely lax in the supervision of the engine-room department.

OPIUM SALE.

KEEN COMPETITION AMONG BIDDERS AT CALCUTTA.

[ASSOCIATED PRESS.]

CALCUTTA, Feb. 3.

The second opium sale of the year was held this morning at the Government sale room, No. 2 Charnock-place when 1,100 chests of uncertified opium were disposed of, this being the same amount as was sold last month. The sale was delayed somewhat on account of a general dispute among the purchasers, and competition proved unusually keen. It is stated that this was due to a heavy demand from the Straits.

Chests to the number of 150 of Bihar opium were sold, the highest price realised per chest being Rs. 1,700, an unusually high figure, and the lowest Rs. 1,500, giving an average of Rs. 1,567-15-6. The total proceeds for the 160 chests was Rs. 2,50,875.

Of Benares opium 940 chests were sold at a uniform price of Rs. 1,560, the total proceeds being Rs. 14,66,400 against Rs. 14,52,675 at last month's sale.

The grand total for the sale was Rs. 17,17,275, as compared with Rs. 17,03,675 last month, while the general average price per chest was Rs. 1,561-2-6.

At the Rangoon Art Exhibition Mr. Klier won the prize for the best photograph, a landscape taken in Burma.

IMPROVED ROADS.

THE VICEROY'S VISIT TO BOMBAY.

ADDITIONAL GRANT ASKED FOR.

At the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Municipal Corporation to be held to-day several matters in connection with roads improvement and sanitation will come up for consideration.

A letter from the Executive Engineer to the Commissioner, which will be dealt with, states that having gone carefully through the actual expenditure for the Road Repair Works up to the end of November last and refunds, that there will be an excess in the total grants if the rate of working is continued as at present. One reason for the excess is that large and heavy repair works have had to be carried out on account of the abnormally heavy and prolonged rains during the year. Unless, therefore, at least a sum of Rs. 30,000 is allotted for the purpose, it will not be possible to proceed with the work at the present rate of progress. It is very essential that this should be done, otherwise many of the roads will remain unattended to and those which have been put in order will get out of repair at the time when the city is visited by many strangers and when His Excellency the Viceroy is expected in Bombay.

An application is made in a letter from the Commissioner for an additional grant of Rs. 29,000 to meet this excess.

Letters from the Commissioner request sanction for the buying of an additional tar macadam mixing machine at a cost of £418 and state that 400 tons of Akonia were used during the hot weather to obviate the dust nuisance on 130 of the principal roads of the city. The cost of the Akonia and the labour used in spreading it was Rs. 39,477.

Another letter from the Commissioner states that the erection of the machinery in the new engine and boiler houses at Love Grove is approaching completion, and it will shortly be necessary to take the electric lighting installation in hand. The cost of the work will be about Rs. 5,323-8-0, and sanction is requested for this to be carried out.

SERVICES COMMISSION.

A FEMALE EDUCATIONAL WITNESS.

[ASSOCIATED PRESS.]

MADRAS, Feb. 3.

At the Public Services Commission to-day in the Senate Hall, Madras, the co-opted members were Mr. R.G. Grieve and Mr. Rameswara Rao Pentulu Garu, Mrs. Srinivasa, Provincial Educational Service, said only one other Assistant Inspectress was like herself an Indian Christian. Travelling allowances should be increased. The witness proposed that the present parallel services be reorganised into one service with two branches.

To Sir Murray Hammick she said once when travelling on inspection, the dak bungalow was full and she had slept under a tree. Her work took her as far as fifty miles from the railway station.

To Mr. Madge, the witness said scholarships should be given to enable Indian women to get some European training.

In answer to Sir Theodore Morison, she said about fifty women had taken degrees at the Madras University.

Continuing the examination of the witness Lord Ronaldshay obtained exact details to the last anna as to how the present travelling allowance of Rs. 3 a day and double second-class fare was inadequate.

The principal of the Pittapur Rajas' College, Cocanada, was also examined.

The Commission adjourned till Thursday.

ALLEGED SATI.

[ASSOCIATED PRESS.]

CALCUTTA, Feb. 3.

A case of alleged Sati was reported from Uttarpara, about seven miles from Howrah, on Friday night. Narain Das Chatterjee was attacked with cholera and died the following morning. His wife, aged about forty-two, went out of her room and, putting on a coat that belonged to her deceased husband and holding a copy of the Geeta on her bosom, set fire to her hair. People ran to save her and poured water over the body, but her injuries were such that she expired in a few hours. She was cremated on her husband's pyre.

RIVER CASUALTY.

PASSENGER STEAMER AGROUND.

[ASSOCIATED PRESS.]

CALCUTTA, Feb. 3.

On the night of January 31 the River Steam Navigation Company's steamer Thrush, bound for Barisal from Noakhali with passengers and cargo ran aground on a sunken chur of Chorlakhi River station, not far from Noakhali. The passengers and part of the cargo were transhipped to an incoming steamer. No loss of life is reported.

Col. C. N. Watts, half-pay, late Notts and Derby Regt., who has gone on pension, was employed on the general staff in India, and under the age rules would have remained another four years on the active list. This officer, who entered the army in 1879, and got his present rank in 1906, served with the 1st Battalion in the Three Towns, 1889-1891. He has filled several appointments on the staff, and has the Matabeleland expedition, 1896 (mentioned in despatches and *London Gazette*), and the Boer war (twice mentioned in despatches and *London Gazette*, Queen's and King's medals with five clasps, and the brevet of lieutenant-colonel) to his credit.

THE IMPERIAL COUNCIL.

COMPANIES BILL INTRODUCED.

THE QUESTION OF LOCAL SELF-GOVERNMENT.

[ASSOCIATED PRESS.]

DELHI, Feb. 3.

A meeting of the Imperial Legislative Council was held this morning. H. E. the Viceroy presided. The attendance of members was larger than usual; but absentees included Messrs. Gokhale, Monteath, M. S. Dass, Acharjar, Sir Charles Armstrong, Nawab Syed Muhammed, Mr. Ghaznavi, Mr. Ramaningar, Raja Jaychand, Mr. Huda, the Raja of Repur and Pandit Malaviya. The visitors' galleries were full.

Mr. Clarke introduced the Companies Bill and moved that it be referred to a Select Committee. He said :—

The Committee, it will be observed, is the same except for such alterations as have been necessitated by changes in the personnel of the Council as that which considered these clauses last year when they were brought forward in connection with the main Companies Bill, which was then under examination, and which was passed into law before the close of the last Delhi session.

It will be remarked that the Select Committee of last year were of opinion that these clauses provided for a reasonable measure of disclosure and would not lay any undue restrictions on legitimate transactions; but they recommended that, in view of their intrinsic importance and as they had not yet been formally before the country, they should be circulated before being incorporated in the Company law.

In accordance with this recommendation the clauses which form the present Bill have been circulated to local Governments and referred by them to commercial bodies and others likely to be interested. The Bill has received a large measure of support. Criticisms of individual provisions and suggestions for improvements on certain points have also been received, and these will be carefully considered in Committee.

PROTECTION OF CROPS.

Sir Robert Carlyle moved that the report of the Select Committee on the Bill to prevent the introduction into British India of any insect, fungus or other pest, which is, or may be, destructive to crops, be taken into consideration

The Hon Mr. James McKenna, in supporting the motion, spoke at length and in the course of his remarks said :—

It may be asked why we should only now be called upon to consider the necessity of such legislation. As Hon. members are aware, there has, within recent years, been a great awakening of interest in agricultural India. The increasing demand for new crops and for improved varieties of crops suitable to India, which the introduction of a highly trained expert staff has stimulated, has brought the whole world into touch with Indian agriculture and the area of our inquiry has been largely extended.

The Bill was passed.

Mr. Clark then presented the Select Committee's report on the Telegraph Bill, and Sir William Meyer presented the Select Committee's reports on the Negotiable Instruments Bill and Local Authorities Loans Bill, and said only several verbal changes had been made in Committee.

LOCAL SELF-GOVERNMENT.

A REJECTED RESOLUTION.

The Maharaja of Cassimbazar, in moving his resolution on Local Self-Government, said the subject of municipalities in India was dealt with in the twentieth chapter of the Report of the Decentralisation Commission. It was stated therein that the origin and development of municipalities in India was entirely due to British rule and that regular municipalities were formed in all provinces between 1864 and 1868. Thus, municipal institutions had been in existence in this country for close upon fifty years. A great impetus to the development of local self-government was given by Lord Ripon's famous resolution of the 18th of May, 1882, in pursuance of which fresh Municipal Acts were passed for the various Provinces. The election system in municipal councils was extended and several municipal councils were permitted to elect non-official chairmen. Without traversing at any length the ground covered by the Royal Commissioners in their exhaustive report it might briefly be stated that the recommendations of the Commission generally tended to invest both Presidency and mofussil municipalities with larger powers and to take a step forward in the direction of Lord Ripon's celebrated resolution.

The specific recommendations of the Royal Commission would be found in the General Summary of Conclusions and Recommendations appended to the Report. The report of the Royal Decentralisation Commission was signed on the 25th of February, 1909, that was to say, almost precisely, five years ago. Since then the recommendations of the Commission had been the subject of correspondence between provincial Governments and the Government of India and the Secretary of State for India.

From a recent pronouncement of His Excellency the Viceroy it was to be inferred that a final decision had either been or was about to be arrived at on the recommendations of the Commission in respect of the municipalities in India.

Replying to the address presented to him in November last by the Municipal Corporation of Madras, His Excellency said:

"The Government of India have accepted the views of the Government of Madras on the recommendations of the Royal Decentralisation Commission to which you refer and these have been approved by the Secretary of State. Your Government will, no doubt, in due course, take measures to give effect to the greater freedom and larger power of control which will be conferred upon

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you and which mark a substantial advance in the direction of the Commissioners' proposals."

In view of these authoritative remarks made by His Excellency the Viceroy, and also bearing in mind the fact that the whole country was vitally interested in the progress and development of municipal administration in India, the speaker ventured to hope that the Government would be pleased to accept the recommendation embodied in this resolution.

The Hon. Rajah Kusal Pal Singh said there was no matter in which the confidence and co-operation of the public were more necessary than in the administration of local bodies. The administration of municipalities would be considerably improved, and if the papers asked for were laid on the table the people would be in a position to express a frank opinion on the subject of the administration of local bodies and a great impetus would be given to the cause of local self-government.

The Maharaja of Nashpur also supported the resolution and dwelt upon the importance of the publication of the papers. He said there was considerable public anxiety on the subject. He hoped that the Hon. Member in charge would at least be in a position to enlighten them.

SIR HERBERT BUTLER'S REPLY.

Sir Harcourt Butler said he was sorry to meet the mover of the resolution with a negative answer as it was not usual always to publish papers. He said a resolution would shortly be published dealing with the question of the Government of India's policy on local self-government as one was issued on the educational policy. He asked the mover not to be impatient.

Mr. Surendranath Banerjea, in supporting, said that the representatives of the people in the Council were the constituted advisers of the Government of India and they could not exercise their advisory powers with intelligence unless they had access to the papers which the mover of the resolution had asked for.

Rai Sita Nath Roy also supported the resolution.

Sir Harcourt Butler, in winding up the discussion, said that the first complaint of Mr. Banerjea was that they had not consulted the public in regard to the subject matter of this resolution, but Mr. Banerjea seemed to forget that the public had already been consulted. The conclusions of the Decentralisation Commission had been published and criticised in the Press. If any Hon. Member desired to offer any particular views he was at liberty to do so, but Government could not publish the papers merely in order to furnish Hon. members with a brief to ventilate their own particular views.

The resolution was then put to the Council and negatived.

INTERPELLATIONS.

Sir Robert Carlyle replying to Maharaja Manindra Chandra Nandi's question *re* the approximate cost of the New Capital, said Government were not yet in a position to state the estimated cost of the New Capital.

Sir Harcourt Butler, replying to Maharaja Manindra Chandra Nandi's question *re* the Dacca University scheme said: "The Secretary of State has expressed his general approval of the Dacca University scheme. His orders regarding the detailed features of the scheme have not been received. Hence it would be premature to lay the papers on the table or to make any statement regarding the proposed college for the well-to-do or other matters. It will be necessary to undertake legislation. It is impossible to state when such legislation will be introduced."

INDIAN EMIGRATION.

Mr. Clark, replying to Sir Fazulbhoy Currimbhoy's question *re* inquiry into Indian emigration to Crown Colonies, said: "As regards the first part of the question the report has not yet been received by the Government of India but will probably be submitted to them in March. As regards the second part of the question the Committee appointed by His Majesty's Government in 1909, to enquire into emigration from India to the Crown Colonies and Protectorates, recommended that an investigating officer should be periodically deputed from India to visit the several colonies which receive Indian emigrants. The Government of India agreed with the Committee's view that deputations of this kind are desirable from time to time and in the present instance it also seemed advisable to supplement the inquiry of the Committee by investigations conducted on the spot in the several countries concerned. A memorandum of the instructions given to Messrs. McNeill and Chimanlal is placed on the table."

SOUTH AFRICAN QUESTION.

Mr. Clark, replying to Sir Fazulbhoy Currimbhoy's question on the African crisis, said; "The Hon. Member is aware, that the Government of the Union of South Africa has appointed a Commission to inquire *inter alia* into the causes and circumstances which led to the recent strikes and disturbances in Natal and that Sir Benjamin Robertson, K.C.S.I., has been deputed by the Government of India to appear before the Commission on their behalf. Sir Benjamin, of course, holds no position on the Commission, but the Government of India was not altogether without hopes that he may be able to help in bringing about a peaceful settlement of the difficulties which have been a source of grave anxiety to us all during the past few months. In the circumstances they do not consider it expedient to lay any further papers on the table than those already published."

INDIANS IN CANADA.

Mr. Clark, replying to Sir Fazulbhoy Currimbhoy's question *re* the grievances of Canadian Indians, said. "Correspondence is still in progress between His Majesty's Government, the Dominion Government and the Government of India and papers cannot be laid on the table. As regards (c) the Canadian law requires that the immigrant should arrive upon a continuous journey as well as upon a through ticket. As there is no direct line of steamship running from India to Canada the first condition cannot be fulfilled and it does not appear that any advantage would accrue to Indian emigrants from the issue of through tickets. As regards (d) the Government of India have as yet received no information beyond that already published in the Press and referred to by His Excellency the Viceroy in his reply to the Sikh deputation as to the likelihood of a legislation being undertaken by the Dominion Legislature in the direction indicated by the hon. member. He may, however, rest assured that should any legislation be introduced the Government of India will use their best endeavours, as they have always done, to protect the interests of Indians."

STUDENTS IN ENGLAND.

Sir Harcourt Butler, replying to Sir Fazulbhoy Currimbhoy's question regarding the difficulties experienced by the Indian students in English universities, said: "The Government of India have observed in the newspaper reports about the feeling in English universities against Indian students, but are not aware what amount of truth there is in such reports or whether the alleged feeling is stronger at Oxford and Cambridge than elsewhere. It is understood that certain colleges limit the number of Indians who may be admitted. But the Government of India have no certain information on this matter or on the curtailment of privileges. The Government of India have drawn the attention of the Secretary of State to the importance of rendering assistance to Indian students. A report has been published and will soon be generally available in India on the work of the Indian Students Department in the India Office and the Advisory Committee. The Government of India are deeply interested in the matter, but in the circumstances stated above do not consider it necessary to take further action at present."

THE RAILWAYS QUESTION.

Mr. Clark, replying to Sir Fazulbhoy Currimbhoy's question as to Mr. Lionel Abraham's mission to India, said: "Mr. Abrahams has been deputed to India to discuss informally with the Government of India some pending questions relating to railways in order that in this way the ultimate settlement of those questions by means of formal correspondence between the Government of India and the Secretary of State may be facilitated."

SALARIES.

Sir Reginald Craddock, replying to Sardar Daljit Singh's question *re* the increase of salaries of ministerial officers in various offices said: "The question practically covers the sufficiency of the pay of all ministerial officers of Government from those employed in the Secretariat to those in Talsil staffs. It is not the case that there has been no improvement in the pay of these officer within the last fifteen years. On the contrary in Madras, Bombay, Bengal and Eastern Bengal and Assam (using these two latter designations in their meaning prior to the territorial redistribution of 1912) and in the Central Provinces, effect has been given in recent years to the various general schemes for the improvement of the pay of ministerial officers, and it is understood that the same subject is occupying the attention of the local Governments of the United Provinces and the Punjab. The Government of India are aware that the cost of living has increased of recent years and that this has been felt especially by the officers of Government who are in receipt of small salaries, but the requisite adjustment of the prevailing scales of pay do not seem to call for general orders. They are being effected gradually by local Governments according as the circumstances demand and funds permit."

The Council adjourned till to-morrow.

MYSORE COUNCIL.

[ASSOCIATED PRESS.]

BANGALORE, Feb. 3.

At the meeting of the Mysore Legislative Council this afternoon the principal business referred to the Bill to amend the Mysore Legislative Council Regulation of 1907 in view of the recent enlargement of the Council granting power of interpellation and budget debate. It was urged that the privilege of moving resolutions on administrative matter should be granted. Mysore was an advanced State and should at least be on a par with British India in such matters.

The Bill was finally passed as providing, also, for a seat to be taken by the Yuvaraj of Mysore who becomes ex-officio member since his appointment last week as an extraordinary member of the Mysore Executive Council. The President said that in future the Council would be concerned, not only with the work of legislation, but also with matters connected with general administration as well as preparation of the State budget.

MILITARY INTELLIGENCE.

[ASSOCIATED PRESS.]

DELHI, Feb. 3.

Lieut Maclean, 32nd Mounted Battery, has been selected for appointment as commander of the Artillery Company of the Malay States Guides, vacant in June next.

Lieut-General Scallon, Commanding the Lucknow Division, is granted leave out of India for nine months.

Major-General Carnegy, commanding the Jullunder Brigade, is granted leave out of India for 6,1-2 months.

Brigadier-General G. B. Smith, Divisional Commander, Royal Artillery, Rawalpindi Division, is granted leave out of India for 5 months and 4 days.

Lieut-Colonel Grier, R. A., will officiate as Divisional Commander, Royal Artillery.

Major Grove, Cheshire Regiment, Instructor, Musketry School, Pachmarhi, is granted leave out of India for seven months.

Lieut. Rhode, R. E., is transferred from the Military Works Services to the 3rd Sappers and Miners.

Lieut. T. R Umbers, 1st Battalion, Royal Irish Rifles, is appointed to the Nigeria Regiment of the West Frontier Force.

Captain Gardner, 21st Lancers, is appointed Adjutant of the Buckinghamshire Yeomanry and is ordered Home.

KARACHI-LONDON PASSENGER SERVICE.

KARACHI, Feb. 3.

It is stated in Karachi that the British India Steam Navigation Company intend running a passenger service between London and Karachi.

CREDIT BANK CASE.

HASSAN BROTHERS' CHEQUE TRANSACTIONS.

INTERESTING STATEMENTS.

The hearing of the case in which Inspector Morris of the C I D., charged Jaffer Joosab, manager of the Credit Bank of India, (in liquidation) with criminal breach of trust in respect of a sum of Rs. 52,000 alleged to have been misappropriated between June 10, 1912, and January 10, 1913, and another sum of Rs. 16,000 alleged to have been misappropriated on September 1, 1913, was resumed yesterday at the Esplanade Police Court before Mr. A. H. S. Aston, Chief Presidency Magistrate.

Mr Nicholson, Public Prosecutor, (instructed by Superintendent Sullivan) appeared for the prosecution, and Mr. Framroze Mehta, of Messrs. Mansuklal, Heeralal and Mehta, with Mr. K. F. Nariman, appeared for the accused.

Mr. Nicholson continued the examination of Ahmed Mohamed, the younger of the two Hassan brothers.

Witness identified a cheque which he had signed in favour of the Orient Motor Car Company and said that that was passed for the price of a Fiat motor-car which Jaffer purchased from the Company. He passed the cheque because Jaffer asked him to do so. He did not use the motor-car himself, excepting when he drove with Jaffer. Another cheque for Rs. 19-15-0, passed in favour of Rahim Joosub and Co., witness said, was in payment of the premium on Jaffer's life. This also was passed by witness at the request of Jaffer. The cheque for Rs.12,983-4-6 passed by him in favour of Mr. Rustum K. R. Cama was also passed at the request of Jaffer. The Hassan brothers had no interest with Rustum K. R. Cama. He did not know why the money was paid. The promissory note for Rs. 75,000 signed by the Hassan brothers was also identified by witness. He said that that was drawn at the request of Jaffer and not that the Hassan brothers needed any loan at that time. This promissory note was drawn for money to be paid to Jaffer's share-brokers.

A number of cheques that were signed by the Hassan brothers, and which were identified by Hassanally, the previous witness, were identified by this witness.

A cheque drawn in favour of Messrs. Weld and Co., was also identified, and witness said that the Hassan brothers had nothing to do with Weld and Co. They were doing business for Jaffer in their name.

A cheque for Rs. 100 for self was produced, and witness said that he never drew any money himself from the Bank. Jaffer asked him to draw a cheque, and the money was paid to Jaffer.

On the 9th January, Jaffer asked him to draw a cheque for Rs. 41,000 on the Hassan brothers' account, and that money was transferred to an account kept in his own name. The following day a cheque was drawn by him on the account kept in his name. He did not know why this was done.

His personal account opened with a loan of Rs. 50,000 on a promissory note drawn by him self and Rahimtulla Muhamad. He was asked by Jaffer to sign the note. He did not know Rahimtulla, but he thought he was a relation of Jaffer's. This promissory note was signed on the 28th December, 1911, and discharged on the 15th January, 1912. The account was not operated upon till the 6th March. Then a cheque for Rs. 2,000 was drawn by him. He was asked by Noor Muhamad and Jaffer to draw the cheque.

A BALANCE OF THREE ANNAS.

His personal account was kept to be operated upon by Noor Muhamad and Jaffer. He did not give any security for these loans. The cheque for Rs. 2,000 was given to M. C. Dharamsy. Subsequently two cheques for Rs. 3,000 each were drawn in favour of Dharamsy and Noor Muhamad. Noor Muhamad asked him to draw the cheque and he got sanction from Jaffer. A cheque drawn in favour of J. C. Smith, a trainer, for a sum of Rs. 197 was shown. He said he had nothing to do with horses himself. On the 4th April the balance in his account was only three annas. Then he got a loan of Rs. 1,25,000. He did not need the money, but he drew the promissory note as he was asked to do so. Most of the payments in his account were by fixed loans until November 26, 1912. From that date there was a series of credit entries. These were payments by brokers. His account, however, remained at a debit till January 10, 1913, when the cheque for Rs 41,000, drawn by the Hassan brothers was transferred to his personal account.

A cheque for Rs. 3,000 was shown to witness and he said that it was cashed and the money was paid to Jaffer. Another cheque for Rs. 2,000 witness identified as one cashed for payment to certain brokers in Government paper.

The magistrate asked witness whether he got anything for signing these cheques. Witness replied that he did not, and said that he did not get anything besides Rs. 100 per month which he was paid for keeping the accounts of Jaffer and Noor Muhamad.

Another cheque for Rs. 1,500 was shown, and witness said that the money was drawn and paid for settling some share transactions. A cheque for Rs. 2,500 was cashed, and out of the money Rs 1,000 was paid to Jaffer and Rs. 1,500 into Jaffer's account on the same date. Another sum of Rs. 600 was drawn to pay off a hundi drawn by one Gunny Cassum, a furniture dealer, and which had fallen due. The Hassan brothers had purchased some furniture worth only about Rs. 60. A cheque for Rs. 3,755 was drawn to pay Jaffer's slips. Jaffer drew money from the cashier on slips, and when it accumulated to any large amount, that was settled either by paying cash or by a cheque drawn by the Hassan brothers. The cheque was given to the cashier and he returned the slips, and no money actually passed. A cheque for Rs. 6,000 drawn on April 6 1913 was identified as that drawn to pay off losses in Government paper. A cheque for Rs 23,695-1-0 given to Rustom K. R. Cama on June, 9, 1913, was identified, and witness said he had nothing to do with Mr Cama. A cheque for Rs. 15,340 was drawn on January 27, 1913, and was cashed and the money was paid to Jaffer. He did not know why the money was required and Jaffer did not tell him anything about why it was required. A further cheque for Rs. 23,833-15-0 was given to Mr. Cama and he did not know what was done with that cheque. On September 1, 1913, Jaffer asked him to draw a cheque for Rs. 16,000. He cashed the cheque and took the money to Jaffer when he told witness to pay the money in Mr. Kazi Kabiruddin's account. Witness himself wrote the paying-in slip, and paid the money into Kazi's account on the same date.

RS. 8,000 FOR POONA RACES.

The Hassan brothers had accounts at the Mandvi and Kalbadevi branches also. For each of these accounts money was drawn from the Credit Bank, but he remembered that Rs. 5,000 was paid by Noor Muhamad for the Mandvi account. He did not know why accounts were kept in the branches also. At present the Hassan brothers were indebted to the Bank for a sum of about four lakhs of rupees. This amount did not include a sum of two lakhs which they owed to the Bank on hundis and promissory notes which they signed jointly with Noor Muhamad. Two cheques, one for Rs. 5,000 drawn on the 26th of September, 1911, and another for Rs. 8,000, drawn on the 29th of the same month, were put in. Witness said they were drawn by him for Jaffer, but could not say what they were for exactly, but he remembered the Rs. 8,000 was paid to Jaffer when he went to Poona for the races.

Usually, Jaffer himself saw the share-brokers, but when he was very busy the brokers came to the office and then witness or his brother communicated what they had to say to Jaffer.

Witness, continuing, said that Jaffer knew their circumstances very well. He could not have taken them for millionaires, as he was serving under Jaffer.

In reply to the magistrate, witness said that they had drawn a few cheques for their own purposes, but they never were drawn on self.

Mohamadboy Nainsey, the father of the two previous witnesses, was called.

Examined by Mr. Nicholson, he said that he was broker of the Credit Bank from August, 1910, to May, 1912. His income was about Rs. 200 a month. There was a decree against him for Rs. 800 obtained by one Shankernath Laduram. He did not pay the decree till an attachment was made, when Jaffer helped him with money. Jaffer was broker to him when he had business, and was also related to him, and therefore he helped him. Jaffer knew he was unable to pay his debt.

Promissory notes signed by witness were shown which, he said, he signed to oblige Jaffer and Noor Muhamad. He did not get any consideration for signing these notes. But he got some money as brokerage; his boys were employed by Jaffer, and also in consideration of his friendship with the accused he signed the notes. He was employed as manager of the Bewani Mills in the Punjab from May, 1912, till November of the same year, on a salary of Rs. 200. Afterwards he was employed as manager of the Bombay Weaving and Manufacturing Company, now in liquidation, on a salary of Rs. 200. Noor Muhamad was the agent for this mill.

At this stage the Court rose for the day, the further hearing being adjourned.

CO-OPERATION IN BENGAL.

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CALCUTTA, Feb. 3.

The sixth Provincial Conference of Co-operative Societies, Bengal, closed in Calcutta to-day. The Hon. Mr. P. C. Lyon, president, occupied the chair. The conference discussed at length various important matters relating to the establishing and maintenance of co-operative banks, the provision of village co-operative stores and other schemes for the extension of the movement into rural areas.

BOMBAY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE.

The next meeting of the Bombay Development Committee will be held at the Secretariat, on Friday, at 4 p.m.

DERAILMENT ON THE G. I. P.

A derailment occurred near Bhandup on the G. I. P. Railway yesterday morning, a few goods waggons blocking the down line. The morning down trains from Bombay, including the Delhi express, were delayed about an hour and a half, but the up trains all arrived in time. The traffic was resumed and normal conditions prevailed before noon.

BYCULLA SCHOOL OLD BOYS.

The annual dance of the Old Boys of the Byculla School was held last night in the Bombay Town Hall. A number of guests were invited and dancing was kept up until 2 a.m.

A THEISTIC MARRIAGE.

An interesting function took place last evening at the Prarthna Mandir, where Mr. Bhaskar S. Tarkhad, one of the Secretaries of the Bombay Students Brotherhood was married to Bai Herabai. The function was specially interesting as the nuptials were performed according to Theistic rights.

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LAW INTELLIGENCE.

THE HIGH COURT.

FIRST CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

YESTERDAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

Mr. Justice Macleod, yesterday, delivered judgment in the suit filed by M. N. Motiwalla and others against Abdul Razak Haji Sulleman and another praying for specific performance of an agreement. The suit was that the plaintiff obtained a decree for a large amount in two suits, Nos. 404 of 1911 and 707 of 1912, filed against the first defendant. In execution of those decrees the first defendant was arrested at the Mahalakshmi Racecourse by the Sheriff's bailiff. He afterwards agreed to execute a first mortgage of all his share, right, title and interest in ancestral properties belonging to the joint Cutchi Memon family of which the first defendant was a member. He was therefore released.

The first defendant denied that he had any share or interest in ancestral property, and stated that he signed that agreement while he was under the influence of liquor.

His lord hip yesterday delivered judgment dismissing the plaintiff's suit with costs.

Afterwards, his lordship heard a suit regarding a deed of settlement, which was not concluded when the Court rose.

Mr. Justice Beaman, after disposing of a short list of short causes, continued the hearing of the part-heard suit, Edwin Reis and others vs. Messrs. W. L. Patinge and Co., which was still proceeding when the Court rose.

In the Sessions, Mr. Justice Davar disposed of the Lakhmidas Khimji cloth market fire-case. The court was full of cloth merchants, who appeared pleased when the accused was discharged.

As Mr. Justice Davar is engaged in the Sessions, Mr. Justice Macleod, will sit as the Commissioner in the Insolvency Court to-day.

The second day's sitting of the First Criminal Sessions of the current year was held yesterday, Mr. Justice Davar presiding.

WIFE'S NOSE BITTEN OFF.

The hearing of the case in which a Hindu named Sadhu Govind, aged 28, was charged with voluntarily causing grievous hurt by biting off his wife's nose was concluded by his lordship yesterday.

Captain Prescott, House-Surgeon of the Sir J. J. Hospital, stated that the injury to Salubai was such that it would permanently disfigure her face.

His lordship then summed up the case and the jury returned a verdict of guilty, but recommended the accused for mercy, on the ground that he committed the act while he was not in his proper senses.

His lordship sentenced the accused to two years' rigorous imprisonment.

LAKHMIDAS KHIMJI MARKET FIRE.

ACCUSED DISCHARGED.

The next case that was disposed of by his lordship and a common jury was that in which a Hindu cloth merchant named Parbhudas Amidas, aged 30, was charged with mischief by fire.

Mr. Gadgil appeared for the prosecution, while the accused was defended by Mr. Velinker, with Mr. Azad, (instructed by Mr. Balubhai T. Desai, pleader). Mr. Nicholson, barrister, watched the proceedings on behalf of the Union Assurance Society, Ltd.

Counsel, in opening the case, said that the accused, a cloth merchant in the Lakhmidas Khimji Cloth Market, had carried on business there for a year and a half. On November 28 last, a disastrous fire took place in the market. The fire originated in the shop of the accused. The day was the Amawaas day and according to custom there was a holiday in the market, and all the shops were closed. The accused went to his own shop in the morning at about 9 or 9 30, and was seen there by respectable merchants. He sent away two of his servants and then opened the shop and went in. Within five minutes he left the shop and went away, and ten or fifteen minutes afterwards a shop-keeper saw smoke issuing from the accused's shop. He raised an alarm of fire, and informed the market-ramoshi. The latter informed the fire-brigade and the police. The accused had in his shop goods valued at Rs. 3,000 to Rs. 4,000, which he had insured six days prior to the fire with the Scottish Alliance Insurance Co. for Rs. 10,000. Counsel admitted that there was no direct evidence against the accused, but he was in monetary difficulties.

Mr. Hugh Edmond Davis Simond was then called as a witness. He stated that he was the sub-agent of the Scottish Alliance Insurance Co., known as the Union Assurance Society, Ltd. The insurance policy was issued by the company in the name of the accused's shop for Rs. 10,000, for one year.

Cross-examined by Mr. Velinker, the witness said no claim had been made on the policy.

Sub-Inspector Sabaji Govind said he investigated the case and arrested the accused on December 1 last. The accused produced his account books which numbered in all twenty-one. Two of the witnesses in the case, named Narandas Lalji and Premji Valji, were not in Bombay. The former had gone to Dwarka, and the latter to Calcutta. The witness had sent telegrams to them to appear at the court.

Mr Frank Oliveira, Third Presidency Magistrate, said he committed the accused to the Sessions, and had taken bonds from those two witnesses for their attendance at the Sessions.

Other witnesses were examined, and after counsel had addressed the jury, his lordship summed up the case. He pointed out that there was no direct evidence, and said counsel for the prosecution had conducted his case smartly. He also said that the Sub-Inspector who investigated the case with great trouble had given frank evidence.

The jury returned a unanimous verdict of not guilty, and his lordship accordingly acquitted and discharged the accused.

The Sessions then rose for the day.

DISPUTE ABOUT A DEED OF SETTLEMENT.

Mr. Justice Macleod, yesterday, heard a suit filed by Rustomji Hirjibhoy Hormusji Shroff against Dr. Sorabji Dosabhai Nadirsha and others, praying that the deed of settlement of April 26, 1880, might be construed by the Court that the dispositions of the property might be declared to have been made subject to the deed of settlement and the trusts ther in contained and declared; and that the defendants Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 might be ordered to render a full and true account of their management of the trust estate and in taking such account they might be charged with Rs. 28,000 and all sums that might be proved to be lost to the trust estate by reason of wilful default, misconduct or negligence of the defendants. They further prayed that on taking such accounts the defendants might be ordered to pay to them, or such person as the Court might determine, whatever might he found due by them to the trust estate. Pending the suit the defendants might be restrained by an order or injunction of the Court, from charging, alienating or otherwise dealing with the trust property.

The Hon. Mr. T. J. Strangman with Mr. J. D. Davar, (instructed by Messrs. Pandya and Co.,) appeared for the plaintiff, while Mr. J. D. Inverarity (instructed by Messrs. Pestonji Rustim and Kola) defended.

The plaint stated that the father of the plaintiff and defendants 8 to 12 and the first defendant, who is an insolvent, was, prior to 1880, possessed of considerable immovable and movable properties including a piece of land with a bungalow situate on the north of New Foras Road. In April, 1889, a deed of settlement conveyed and assigned certain properties including the bungalow to trustees, and it was declared that the trustees were to hold the trust property for such of his children as might be living at the death of the survivor of Hirjibhoy or his wife. He submitted that the first two defendants were liable to account for Rs. 16,000 alleged to have been received in consideration of the indenture of conveyance of 1882. The defendants Nos. 3, 4, and 5 as executors of the will of the deceased Dorabji Shroff were in possession of the title deeds, and all vouchers and papers relating to the property. The plaintiff frequently called upon them and the first two defendants to hand over to the plaintiff all the property comprised in the trust deed and the title deeds relating thereto and the account for their management thereof, but the defendants have failed to do so. He further stated that those defendants took advantage of his minority and inexperience and defeated him of his just rights.

The defendants No. 3, 4 and 5, in their written statement, submitted that as against the estate of their testator the plaintiff was not entitled to the relief claimed or any part thereof and that the suit should be dismissed with costs. They admitted that Hirjibhoy was in 1880 possessed of certain movable and immovable property, but he was very much in debt, and his property was heavily charged. They denied the allegations made by the plaintiff, and stated that the suit was a frivolous and vexatious one filed in the hope of extorting money from them.

The case is proceeding

SHORT CAUSES.

At the High Court, yesterday, Mr Justice Beaman disposed of the following short causes:—

SUIT ON PROMISSORY NOTES.

Hajarimal Daodaji, a firm, sued Memon Abdul Reheman Tyeb for the recovery of Rs. 3,000 on two promissory notes.

Mr. Masani appeared for the plaintiff.

Counsel stated that the interest fixed was 24 per cent per annum, and Rs. 200 had been paid by the defendant as interest.

His lordship passed a decree for the plaintiff for Rs. 3,360.

INDORE SHROFF'S CLAIM.

Divan Bahadur Kasturchand Abirchand, a well known shroff and moneylender of Indore, sued Motilal Tejmal, a firm, for the recovery of Rs 15,000 which he had advanced to the defendants.

Mr. Vaidya, who appeared for the plaintiff, stated that the interest arranged was 8 1-4 annas per annum, but nothing was paid by the defendants.

His lordship after recording evidence passed a decree for the claimed amount in favour of the plaintiff with interest and costs.

DISPUTE BETWEEN HEIRS.

Shivji Cooverji, a firm, sued Motilal Balmukoond and others.

Mr. Mulla appeared for the plaintiffs while Mr. Munsaf was for the first defendant, and Mr. Jaferbhoy appeared for the second defendant.

Mr. Mulla stated that this was an inter-pleader suit. The deceased Balmukoond had deposited with the plaintiffs' firm Rs 5,000. They had brought the money into Court and wished to retire from the suit. Both the defendants claimed the amount; the first defendant as the adoptedson of the deceased while the second claimed it as the surviving brother of the deceased. Counsel further said that his clients would deposit the amount in Court and they might be allowed to retire, and their costs provided for.

Mr Jaferbhoy said the defendants would fight on the case between themselves as to who was entitled to the money.

His lordship transferred the case to the long cause list, and ordered that the costs of the plaintiff should come out of the sum deposited in the Court.

THE POLICE COURTS.

MILL MANAGER FINED.

A CHARGE OF NEGLIGENCE.

Rao Bahadhur Chunilal H. Setalvad, Second Presidency Magistrate, yesterday gave judgment in the case in which Mr. W. B. Chambers, Acting Chief Inspector of Factories, prosecuted Mr T. Bristol, manager of the Globe Mill, situated at Parel, for neglecting to secure the door of the scutchers in the mill, and for neglecting to maintain in efficient order the fastening of the dust door of a Platt's finishing scutcher.

The magistrate, in delivering judgment, said that with regard to the second charge the accused must be acquitted, as the jobber who had accepted the whole responsibility was prosecuted on that charge. As to the second charge, the prosecution had contended that the dust chamber doors led to dangerous parts of the machinery because a man could get his fingers through the grid bars of a scrutcher by way of the dust chamber door. His Worship convicted the accused and thought that the ends of justice would be satisfied by a nominal fine. The accused was fined Rs. 5.

EXCISE SEPOYS ASSAULTED.

At the Esplanade Police Court, before Mr. A. H. S. Aston, Chief Presidency Magistrate, Excise Inspector Hudson charged Kowjan Mohansing, a recruit of the 2nd Rajputs, with assaulting two Excise sepoys in the discharge of their duty.

The accused arrived from Meerut at the Victoria Terminus by the Delhi Express on Monday at 7 a.m. He had tobacco weighing six seers with him. The sepoys detained him and asked him to go before the Inspector, whereupon the accused assaulted them.

The accused denied the charge, but the magistrate believed the evidence of the prosecution, and sentenced the accused to one day's simple imprisonment, and a fine of Rs 25.

COCAINE PROSECUTION.

Before Mr. G. R. Khairaz at the Mazagon Police Court, yesterday, Sherali Habibali, a Pathan, was charged with possessing 304 grains of cocaine without a permit from the Collector. He was also charged with obstructing an Excise officer in the execution of his duty.

The case for the prosecution was that the accused was arrested near the staircase of a house in Northbrook-street, and four bundles of cocaine were found on him. The accused attempted to escape from custody, and took out a knife to stab the peon, but the knife was snatched away from his hand before he could use it.

The defence was that on arrival of the Excise officer and peons a man threw the cocaine near him and ran away.

Evidence was produced in support of this plea and two Mahomedans were called who said that they saw a man throw down a bundle and run away.

The magistrate reserved his decision.

JOTA GAMBLING.

At the Mazagon Police Court, before Rao Bahadhur Chunilal H. Setalvad, Karsondas Khimji, a native doctor, and Dalsukh Bhojilal, a broker, were charged with running a gaming house in Kazi Sayed-street, and seven other Hindus were charged with gambling in that place on January 24.

In consequence of certain information received, the police raided the shop of the first accused at 4-30 p.m. on January 24. The police found Rs. 157 in a drawer of a table in the shop and two chits containing accounts of speculations. On the accused was found Rs. 200. The telephone was directly connected with the Sutta Bazaar and the accused were betting on the number of cotton bales sold at Liverpool on that day.

Ruttonji Hormusji Damirvalla gave evidence for the prosecution. He said the first accused settled the previous day's transactions and then received money for bets that day.

His Worship fined the first accused Rs. 150, the second accused Rs. 100, and acquitted the rest except the last accused, who was fined Rs. 15.

LODGE BEAMAN.

THE INSTALLATION CEREMONY.

The annual installation ceremony of Lodge Beaman, No. 1069 S. C., took place on Monday evening, when Dr. K. M. Dubash was installed as Master, and invested the following officers with the insignia of their offices:—

Mr. K. N. Lavangia, Deputy Master; Mr. B. D. Jeejeebhoy, Substitute Master; Mr. M. H. Mody, Senior Warden, and Mr. B. T. Anklesharia, Junior Warden. Dr. D. K. Patell becomes Secretary, Mr. B. F. Jeejeebhoy, Assistant Secretary, Mr. C. N. Saher, Treasurer, and Mr. H. K. Batliwala, Chaplain.

During the installation ceremony the Hon. Mr. Justice Beaman, the Grand Master, attended by other prominent masons, paid an official visit, as did the officers of the District Grand Lodge under the English Constitution. Visitors belonging to the craft from H. M. S. Swiftsure, the American yacht Magara, and from lodges in Hongkong and Peshawar were also present.

BOMBAY IMPROVEMENT TRUST.

ROAD-MAKING ESTIMATE REDUCED.

A meeting of the Trustees for the Improvement of the City of Bombay was held yesterday afternoon, the Hon. Mr. J. P. Orr, presiding.

The Chairman said that an estimate of several lakhs was originally made for the construction of the road near the Lakhmidas Cloth Market, but the Deputy Land Manager had now revised the estimate and it was believed the road could be constructed at a cost of Rs. 1,50,000.

Mr. Wacha observed that the road was in a very bad state and either the Trust or the Municipality ought to improve it. It should be improved in such a way that those concerned in the market alone should not be benefited but should be so improved as to be useful to the general public.

Mr. Tod said that if Vithalwady were not touched and the road be constructed in a straight line of Telwadi, then the cost would be certainly smaller.

The Chairman said the way to the Cloth Market from Abdul Rehman-street ought to be considered first.

On the suggestion of Mr. Wacha it was resolved that the Trustees should go and inspect the locality.

BUILDING BY-LAWS.

The Board next considered the Chairman's note on the draft of Building By-laws.

Mr. Wacha was opposed to summarily considering and disposing of such an important matter. He suggested that the draft be forwarded to Mr. Chambers for favour of report and remarks. Mr. Wacha believed that in the draft the engineer and the architect were mixed up.

The Chairman then moved that a committee be appointed to consider and report on the draft By-laws.

Mr. Wacha moved as an amendment that the draft be referred to Mr. Chambers for remarks and suggestions.

The Board eventually resolved, according to Mr. Wacha's suggestion, to forward the draft to Mr. Chambers.

The Board then adjourned.

Women's Interests.

HEARD AT THE CLUBS.

RUMOUR AND THE PRINCE OF WALES' BRIDE.

PRETTY FROCKS AT THE THEATRE.

QUEEN MARY AND DANCING.

(From our Lady Correspondent.)

London, Jan. 14.

It is common knowledge among those who move in court society that Her Majesty draws her line every whit as high as did Queen Victoria, and three ladies, it is reported, have just been struck off the list of those admitted to Court, because they have allowed Tango dancing to take place in their houses in spite of Her Majesty's expressed wish. Even the Lancers are barred at a State ball, where the only dances are the waltz and the old-fashioned polka, with an occasional barn-dance, that has to be carried out, however, with a decorum that is not always observed at a private dance. Another movement in which Her Majesty has directly intervened lately is that of ladies riding astride in the hunting field. Princess Mary has adopted the side-saddle position and every lady about the court is expected to do likewise.

"Dirty Bertie" and "Pragger."

If the bestowal of nick-names is a sign of popularity, Prince Albert, the King's second son, does not lack that hall-mark, as he became known among his fellow-middies on the Colling-wood as "Dirty Bertie," through his fondness for being in the engine-room, which does not make for cleanliness. Most of the men of the Royal Family gained nick-names for themselves in days gone by from youthful comrades whowere no respecters of persons. Thus the Prince of Wales good-humouredly puts up with the appellation of "Pragger" from the undergraduates at Oxford. I should like very much to know how "Pragger" was evolved.

The Prince of Wales.

The Prince of Wales is to represent the King at the Coronation of the King of the Hellenes in Athens next May, and then to invest King Constantine with the Order of the Garter on behalf of His Majesty. This will be the first occasion upon which his Royal Highness has been called upon to carry out a duty of this important nature and he will be accompanied to the Greek capital by rather an imposing suite. Additional interest will be lent to the visit by reason of the fact that for some time the name of his Royal Highness has been coupled with that of Princess Helene, the elder daughter of the King and Queen of the Hellenes, as a possible bride and bridegroom. The young Princess, who attains the age of eighteen next May, is described as a most charming and highly cultivated girl by all who know her. So far the young couple have not met, but it is understood the Princess is to journey to this country with her mother in the summer.

Our Inhospitable Climate.

Our rigorous and trying climate, especially at this season of the year, is certainly not suitable for very delicate people who have been brought up for the most part in sunny verandahs. Thus it comes about that ex-King Manoel and his bride have made but a brief sojourn in England. They have already taken their departure for the continent, after a stay of only about a fortnight. The rigorous weather which prevailed throughout the Yuletide holidays did not impress his young wife very favourably, it would appear, and she desired to return to Germany. According to rumour, ex-King Manoel, who had wished to make his principal home in England, is now undecided on the subject, and his plans for the future, which all depend upon the health of his wife, may have to undergo revision. It is quite possible that his wife may prefer to live on the continent, in which case he will relinquish this house near London and go abroad.

"John" and "Mary."

A French journal has been digging into the soul of the *jeune fille*, and asking her what she wants in a husband as to colour, age and name. The vast majority of 50,000 reply that they want a dark man of 27, and his name should be the French equivalent of John. None of your Algernons or Eries for the cautious damsel. None of your Hippolytes or Pauls—mercurial or subversive persons. They want John when it comes to husbandry. And we shall have to reconsider the title of a famous play and call it "the Importance of Being John."

There are, says the *Daily Chronicle* in commenting on the above symposium, only two really serious forenames that have come down through the centuries, John and Mary. The French girls are right in demanding the solidity of a John (which has sometimes degenerated into a more genial Jack). On the other hand, the good Catholic girl has always Mary somewhere before her surname, even though the frivolous pervert it to Molly or Polly. But a John and a Mary (not Jack and Polly) should always be prosperous and happy.

Fascinating Frock at the Empire.

In the new "Revue," produced under the title of "Nuts and Wine" at the Empire on Saturday night, some very fascinating frocks, hats and headdresses are worn. Miss Babette has three charming gowns, and makes her first appearance in a simple white serge frock relieved with touches of black velvet, and a very chic white hat. Her second costume is of turquoise blue satin and steel embroidered net, and with this she wears a turquoise and silver hat adorned with a tall aigrette. In the second act her evening frock is of soft yellow satin and tulle, with a garniture of blue beads, and to complete the picture she wears a wonderful head-dress of iridescent beads, surmounted by a sweeping paradise plume. Miss Peggy Evelyn's frock in the first act shows a very delicate harmony in grey and violet. It is made in grey crepe-de-Chine, and arranged with violet satin sash. Her violet satin hat is becomingly trimmed with a feather to match.

Ta-Tao, Not Tango.

The Tango is all but dead—socially murdered. Henceforward, so it is announced by the Paris Academy of Dancing Masters, the Ta-Tao will be the new dance. This dance, it is said, has been popular in China, since the year 2459 before Christ. The Ta-Tao, it appears, is a Chinese word meaning sweetness and harmony. It is described as a slow, graceful measure full of quaint steps and languorous dipping movements. It is essentially an harmonious and dignified measure. The feet move in a one-two measure, and many of the graceful steps seen in the Tango—the balancing on one foot, the slide and dip, with one knee almost touching the ground—are included in this old Chinese measure, so says M. Lefort of the Paris Academy, already quoted. He adds: "One of the greatest charms of this dance is its unbroken swing, keeping time to a slow, tuneful melody in a minor key. The Ta-Tao can never become a vulgar exhibition of romping."

The Indian Spectacle.

The privations of forty of the Indians who were stranded owing to the collapse of the "Romance of India" spectacle at Earl's Court are now at an end. They are rehearsing a similar pageant—"King Sheba's Harem"—which is to be produced at the Camberwell Empire on Monday next. The spectacle represents a scene in the palace of an Indian rajah, and there will be dances by real nautch girls, mysteries by Hindu magicians, snake-charmers with real snakes, and fire-eaters. Whatever artistic merit may attach to this production, it is obviously a poor thing compared with what Mr. Caton Woodville, the artist, had designed for "The Romance of India."

His Rightful Place.

The young Duke of Sutherland who has given a nasty twist to the oratorical flights of the Chancellor of the Exchequer is soon likely to give as much as he gets in the world of politics. He is one of the Dukes who count. I understand he now proposes to take politics very seriously and will be a frequent attendant in the Upper Chamber when the new session opens. He has studied the land question very closely, especially as it affects the Highlands, and will take a part in any debate that is raised upon this question in the House of Lords.

Neither he nor the Duchess of Sutherland has any great liking for a purely social life, and they will pass most of their time in the Highlands when Parliament is not sitting. They propose to take a small town house and to live quite unostentatiously, though they will do a certain amount of entertaining and will be seen at most of the leading social gatherings this year. Those who are in a position to judge think it likely that the Duke will receive some minor appointment in the next Unionist ministry, since he has taken a very wide survey of contemporary politics and can speak effectively upon several of the most pressing questions of the day.

Hunt and County Balls.

The hunt and county balls are now in full swing. The programme for the season includes, among others, the Wiltshire ball in the County Hall, Salisbury, the Southwold Hunt ball at Spilsby, the Cumberland Hunt ball at Carlisle, the Garth Hunt ball at Wokingham, Mr. Hurt's Hunt ball at Derby, and the Crawley and Horsham Hunt ball, the ball masque with a cotillion in the Assembly Rooms at York, the Dorset County ball at Dorchester, and the Bedale Hunt ball. The most important of these, however, was the Pytchley Hunt ball at Northampton. It was even a more brilliant success than in former years. Practically all the great houses in the Pytchley country were full of guests. For several seasons the principal country house, at Althorp, did not entertain a party for the function, but this year Lord Spencer brought a large number of guests, including the Duke and Duchess of Devonshire, Lady Maud Cavendish, Lady Salisbury, Lady Mary Cecil, Lord Titchfield, Lady Victoria Bentinck, Miss Margaret Seymour, Mr. C. T. Mills, M.P., Sir Richard Sutton, Captain John Fitzgerald, Mr. Sidney Peel, Lady Adelaide Spencer, and Viscount Althorp.

What the First Silk Hat Did.

In these days we all acknowledge the ultra-respectability of the silk hat; but the first wearer of it went through no trifling ordeal. It was on January 15, 1797, that John Hetherington emerged from his haberdashery shop in the Strand, wearing the first silk hat ever seen in public. Hetherington was promptly surrounded by an astonished mob of such proportions that he was arrested and charged before the Lord Mayor with inciting to riot. The officer who arrested him testified that he "appeared upon the public highway wearing a tall structure which he called a silk hat, having a shiny lustre, and calculated to frighten timid people. Several women fainted at the unusual sight, while children screamed, dogs yelped, and a boy was thrown down by the crowd which collected, and broke his right arm." The defendant was bound over in £50 to keep the peace.

On the Frontier

A biography of the late Dr. T. L. Pennell, who exercised a wonderful influence over the tribesmen of the Afghan frontier, has been written by his widow, and will shortly be issued by Seeley. It may be remembered that Dr. Pennell was the author of "Among the Wild Tribes of the Afghan Frontier," a very readable book. So strong was his personality that it was said of him, by an officer high in the service, that he was worth a couple of white regiments on the frontier.

ROMANCE OF A WILL.

ADOPTION OF A GIRL BY A BANKER.

The romantic story of the adoption of an innkeeper's daughter by a rich banker of Cambridge and her subsequent marriage to an Italian naval officer was unfolded in a will suit which was heard in mail week in the Probate Division. The testatrix was Mme. Emily Rose Perrin Bonnefoi, and the plaintiffs (Surrey and others) were her sisters and nephews and nieces, who claimed to be the next-of-kin. The defendants were the four daughters (residing at Southsea, Southampton, etc.) of Captain Joseph Perrin, late of the Northampton Regiment, a brother of the testatrix.

Mr. Lewis Thomas, K.C., who opened the case for the defendants, upon whom the onus of proof rested, said that the plaintiffs set up an intestacy while the defendants sought to set up two documents either as two wills or as a will and what in England would be a codicil to the first will. The case was a peculiar one, as the whole matter turned upon Italian law. The testatrix was a lady born in humble circumstances in 1848, the daughter of a labourer and innkeeper in Cambridgeshire. When a young child she was adopted by a Mr. Michael Foster, of Little Shelford, and banker at Cambridge. From that time she had practically no connection with the members of her own family. In 1885 Mr. Foster made a will leaving her considerable property, and in 1868 or 1870 he died. In September, 1868, the testatrix married a captain in the Italian Navy, and from that time became an Italian subject, retaining her domicil until her death. The husband died about two years later.

One of the brothers of the testatrix had entered the British Army, and in 1898 had reached the rank of quarter-master with the honorary rank of lieutenant. Subsequently he reached the rank of captain, and had four daughters (the defendants). In 1893 he wrote to his sister, the testatrix then at Venice, an on December 18 1898, she replied:—

Dear brother,—Your letter was indeed a surprise—quite a bolt from the blue—but so far from being vexed it gave me sincere pleasure to hear of your success in life and the position you have made for yourself without any influence at all or money. The struggle must have been a hard one, handicapped as you were in every way. Now it is all over. I hope you will live long to enjoy your success. I greatly rejoice to think of you as a fully fledged officer in her Majesty's service. Our paths in life are hardly likely to cross, and perhaps in many ways that is best. Your interests are all there and mine are here, but later on I should like to help your little son, who, I hope, will follow his father's profession. At the present moment I am rather crippled for money . . . . but in the meantime your little son is only four years of age and his education is not of much account. My health is broken . . . . and I do not feel up to correspondence, but if you will let me occasionally know how you are feeling I shall be glad. only do not let the others (the brothers and sisters) know of this. Remember that if at any time I can be of use to you I shall be glad.

"I Love Children so Much."

In January, 1899, the testatrix wrote to her brother again:—

I have to thank you for the charming New Year's greeting. Your two daughters appear to be handsome and attractive girls. Maud is rather the prettier, but Gertrude is the one I feel most drawn to. I love children so much and have, alas! none of my own; my own baby was born dead. I see your detachment is ordered to India, and are you going there? Please let me know. I am not asking this out of impertinent curiosity—but perhaps it is as well that I should not explain my reasons. But please when you write answer my question. Also tell me the name of your little boy. A very happy and prosperous year to you. I would send my photograph if I had one.

On February 6, 1900, the testatrix wrote from Rome:—

Dear Joe,—By all means cash the cheque without delay, but if you are not in immediate want of money keep it for a rainy day. . . . I feel quite heartbroken about the (Boer) war, for the country is bleeding to death.

On May 28 the lady wrote:—

Dear Joe,—I am afraid you must set me down as a very ill-mannered old woman. Dear little Jack's photograph arrived to find me in bed with a bad attack of bronchitis. I want to write to you and explain a little about certain matters of business which I should like you to know, and this note is only to say that I still have you in mind. Kiss little Jack for me.

On October 24, 1898, said counsel, Mr. Perrin was gazetted captain, and his sister in Venice read the announcement in *The Standard*, which she used to receive. And on October 7, 1899, the testatrix wrote the letter which the defendants propounded as a will:—

Palazzo Rocca, Venice.

My dear Joe,—All these months I have been intending to write to you as I promised, but partly through ill-health and partly through laziness I have put it off. Now I see in the paper this morning that you are likely to be ordered off to the Cape almost immediately, so I hasten to wish you God speed, good luck, and, above all things, a safe and speedy return. . . . It is hard for the wife and bairnies, and the anxiety will be very trying. What I told you I was going to write about was this: That at the present moment I am without a will (I destroyed one last year intending to make another), and that, therefore, you are my heir, and, failing you, little Jacky. I intend to make a will confirming this, but if anything should happen to me before this is done you are all right. I believe I destroyed my will the very day I saw your name in the "*Gazette*"—a curious coincidence, was it not? . . . . I hope, too, when this great crisis is over that my finances will look up again. Being rather desperate three years ago I "went in" for South African gold mines, with what result you may imagine. Good luck, and God bless you.—Yours affectionately Emily Bonnefoi.

On August 1, 1900, the testatrix wrote to Mr. Eaden, solicitor, of Cambridge, saying:—

I have let the making of my will slide up to the present, in the belief that if I die intestate the bulk of my money would go exactly where I intend it to go, namely, to my only brother, Captain Perrin. I may state that I have informed him of may intentions, and also of the fact that up to the present I have made no will. . . . In the meantime perhaps you will prepare a draft copy, I think you call it, and send it to me in Venice.

Enclosed were instructions for the will, which provided:—

To my maid, Mary Wright, if still in my service at the time of my death, £100 and one year's wages.

To each of my servants who have been one year in my service one year's wages.

To my brother, Joseph Perrin, captain, 3rd Northamptonshire Regiment, the whole of my property absolutely, and, failing him, to his only son, Herbert Evelyn, commonly called "Jack."

The draft was sent, and on September 27 the testatrix wrote saying that she was not going to return the document, which she intended to execute properly in Venice. Counsel said that as a matter of fact the will was never executed. Captain Perrin and "little Jack" died, and on April 14, 1910, the testatrix wrote:—

Dear Mr. Eaden,—Thanks for your hint. I quite agree with you as to the necessity and urgency of making a will. On another sheet I give a rough idea of what I propose doing. First of all, my faithful and devoted maid must be provided for. . . . .

To Mr. Frank Chaplin, with a yearly charge of £50 on it; to Mary Wright the Wicken property; to Mrs. Frank Chaplin, as a belated wedding present, £500; one year's wages to servants in my service over six months; and the remainder of the property to my four nieces, the daughters of Captain Perrin.

Mr. Bayford.—That document was never signed?

Settlement of the Case.

Mr. Thomas.—I agree. Mme. Bonnefoi, added counsel, died in 1911, but no document purporting to be an English will could be found. Now the four daughters of Captain Perrin propounded the documents of August, 1900, and April 14, 1910, with the enclosures sent with them. The letter of October 7, 1900, to Captain Perrin was not discovered until after these proceedings were started. First of all, an action was started in the Italian courts, and later in England, and although the case had been on in Italy no definite judgment had been given. The plaintiffs claimed an intestacy, but the defendants contended that in Italian law the documents mentioned, being holograph, formed a will, as they clearly showed the intentions of the testatrix, which was sufficient according to the law of Italy.

Several expert witnesses were called, including Professor Enrico Bensa, of Genoa.

Ultimately, Mr Lawrence announced that the parties had come to terms. The documents put forward would be pronounced against, and the plaintiffs would pay the defendants £3,000 in full satisfaction of all their claims against the estate, both in England and in Italy. There would also be an indemnity for costs, the £3,000 to be a prior charge on the estate. The defendants, on their part, agreed to renounce the actions, both here and in Italy, and would take steps to have this judgment operative in Italy.

His lordship pronounced against the documents and granted the plaintiffs administration of the estate.

NEW WOMEN IN THE NEAR EAST.

A GREAT EDUCATIONAL AWAKENING.

Steamboats on the Sea of Galilee, a lager-beer shanty on the shore of the Dead Sea, and oil-boring in the Jordan valley—these are among the most vivid of the impressions of Palestine brought away by Dr. Edgar Geil, the well-known author and explorer, who has just reached London after a visit of several months to Egypt, Turkey, and the Holy Land.

"A remarkable feature about Palestine to-day," Dr. Geil told a Press representative "is the absence of young men in the towns and villages Some of them, of course, have been drafted to the Army, but the great exodus, I found, was to America. A fine-looking blacksmith stopped me in the streets of Nazareth to ask me what he could earn in America and what openings there were in his trade there.

Outside Bethlehem I was struck by the number of fine foreign residences, and was told they were built by men who had gone to America and succeeded. They came back to Palestine now and then, but, as a rule, the houses were inhabited by the parents or other relatives of the men for whom they were put up."

There is great political discontent throughout Syria, and Dr. Geil expressed his belief that if a ballot could be taken of the inhabitants of the country—Christians, Turks, and Mohammedans alike—they would return an almost solid vote for the establishment of British rule.

The principal object of Dr. Geil's tour was to study the American educational work in the Near East, and he has come back greatly impressed by the enormous progress women's education has made in recent years, even in Moslem countries.

What might almost be called a Near Eastern women's movement appears to have set in.

The Choice of Husbands.

"That is all changed now. Women's education is being not only tolerated, but sought after, and its natural result is a new independence in the women themselves. They are beginning even to assert themselves in their choice of a husband.

"It would be too much to say that Islam is giving way in the face of Christianity, but there are, to my mind, many signs of the undermining of the old hostility, and the adoption of a less intransigeant attitude."

One explanation of the failure of the Turks in the recent war Dr. Geil finds in the fact that for the first time they had Christians in their army, and so were unable to stimulate their men with the incentive that a purely religious crusade has supplied in the past.

WHAT THE FASHION WRITERS SAY.

THE TRAINLESS WEDDING DRESS.

The trainless *robe de mariee*, so successfully launched on one of the Boulevard stages, will not be adopted in the Gay City for the moment. Though the modern bride no longer wears the long white satin skirt—so stiff and stately—that was fashionable fifteen years ago, she has not yet discarded the train to her supple wedding dress. She still deems it necessary to adopt the training skirt in the church ceremony, where she leads the family procession like a queen. But if the marriage were solemnised in the country during the summer, in a quaint old village church or in the chapel of an ancestral chateau, she would alter her toilette accordingly. Amidst the muslins and laces worn by the guests in the bright sunlight, the young fiancee might be tempted to copy the before-mentioned wedding toilette in white embroidered tulle, caught at the waist in front with a group of six organ pleats. She would also wear the Algerian jacket in white embroidered chiffon with its long sleeves and graceful drapery fastening below the bust with a double garland of orange blossoms. The trainless skirt, in this instance, would be in keeping with the pastoral surroundings. A long lace veil, leaving the face exposed, gives the finishing touch to the gown so much admired before the footlights; and the wreath of orange blossoms, once more the fashion, completes this pretty headdress.—The *Gentlewoman*.

Parisian Novelties.

The early racing season at Pau and at Nice is attracting the equine sporting contingent to those respective "parages," and naturally dresses for the South are on the programme pro tem Novelties are supposed to be forthcoming, but another month at least must elapse ere the real spring fashions are ready. Toilettes for afternoon and casino were are of the lightest and Directoiresi styles: satin, tulle, lace, and beads of all kinds, especially jet and amber, being largely employed; chains of diamante, crepe de chine, charmeuse, voile de soie, and great velvet blossoms—just one of the kind at the waist—composing draperies and tunics, the latter frilled, flounced, or pleated and edged with a narrow line of fur, dark on light, or vice versa, or with a two-inch fringe of gold, silver, amber, or iridescent beads, a motif of which is looped repeatedly upon the apology for a corsage in front; beads also span the nude shoulders in treble, quintuple, or sextuple rows. Sometimes these beads are mounted in chains on kimono draperies of tulle or chiffon, with scintillating and modestly veiling effect that is at times certainly not "de trop" given the prevalent fashion of just a bit of tulle or lace and three stitches that form a semblance of discretion upon the upper portion of the fair female form of the up-to-date Parisienne.—*Lady's Pictorial*.

Modish Mourning.

Unfortunately, mourning is required at all times and seasons, but the shape and style closely follows the fashion of the moment. All dull black fabrics are used with crepe, and the silk and wool mixtures especially give that dense shade which is so desirable. Crepe bands are most effective on a silky ninon, and the tunic of ninon bordered with crepe is worn over dull silk or satin.

The Russian blouse with a full tunic basque looks well in black serge cloth or in a fine whipcord with jet buttons pipings of black satin and a modicum of crepe. Or for slight mourning there are pipings and strappings of silk, braided passementerie, and silk-embroidered motifs and insertions. Some of the hand-worked or crocheted buttons, used on back gown are quite artistic, and the groundwork is usually of satin.—The *Lady*.

POLICEWOMAN'S COURAGE.

Some of Chicago's newly-appointed policewomen believe that duty has been fully performed when they have detected a lawbreaker and summoned one of the male members of the force to make the actual arrest, said the *Daily Mail's* correspondent in mail week.

But not, so with Mrs. Mary Boyd. That militant official recently demonstrated that a policewoman can do other work than counsel mothers of wayward girls and trap "mashers." She backed up her police star with a muscular right arm, hauled a man who tried to resist to the street car, and backed him arrest off a [illegible] while she summoned up against a pos[illegible] Boyd was on a patrol wagon. Mrs. [illegible] and West car at North Clark-street [illegible] North-avenue. Tossel Wendt, a [illegible] tor at No. 1-545 Wells-street, was arguing with the conductor about a transfer and using more or less vigorous language. Finally, the two began to fight. Wendt was getting the better of the conductor when Mrs. Boyd, presenting her star, told him he was under arrest. He replied with an oath, and tried to slap her face, she told the sergeant afterwards. Mrs. Boyd had not pulled gasping bathers out of the lake at the Fourteenth-street beach all the summer without developing a muscle. She rode to the station with her prisoner and preferred a charge of disorderly conduct.

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THE ANTARCTIC.

DANGERS OF THE SHACKLETON EXPEDITION.

AN AUSTRIAN ENRISERP.

In view of the cirticisms of Sir Ernest Shackleton's expedition by those who consider the enterprise too daring and hazardous, it is interesting to know, wrote the *Times* in mail week, that its chances of success have been the subject of an insurance transaction at Lloyd's. The rate quoted to cover the risk of failure in the attempt to cross the Antarctic Continent was 10 per cent. The optimistic view of the perils of the expedition which this quotation seems to imply suggests the possibility of its being rather a sporting operation than a serious business transaction. Even though the expedition has the official countenance of the Royal Geographical Society, there are probably few, if any, competent authorities on Polar exploration who would venture to rate the difficulties and dangers of the undertaking so lightly.

Much of the criticism is based on the assumption that the Antarctic plateau, which Scott and Shackleton traversed from the Beardmore Glacier to the South Pole, is continued onwards from that point towards the Weddell Sea. A great deal of this plateau is 10,000ft. above sea level, and travelling on it is far more dangerous than on the fringe of Antarctica. In regard to this point Professor David is of opinion that it will probably be found that there is a gently inclined surface of snow extending from the Weddell Sea on the American side up to the South Pole. Sir Ernest Shackleton stated that he is almost certain that the first 300 miles of travelling from the base will be safe. If these anticipations are verified, progress in the first part of the journey should be rapid, though it must be remembered that, as this part of the route is a *terra incognita*, the opinions held on the nature of the surface are chiefly based on geographical inferences.

The Aeroplane Taxi.

The aeroplane taxi which is to be used in laying food depots on the first part of this route, is not yet made, but it is shortly to be tested, with the aeroplane sledges, either in Norway or Northern Russia. Sir Ernest Shackleton will himself go to superintend the trials and satisfy himself as to the reliability of these machines, which are, of course, experimental. A form of aeroplane taxi is in use to-day in Russia for pleasure purposes, and has reached speeds of 50 miles an hour. The surface, no doubt, is very different from that on the Antarctic plateau, but Sir Ernest Shackleton's sledge party on his last expedition, when on the Beardmore Glacier, took the crevasses and other obstacles at the run.

The £1,000 voted in aid of the expedition by the Royal Geographical Society is not the only large subscription which has been received towards the expenses, which will amount to £70,000 if the expedition is to be conducted on the highest scale of efficiency. The contributions, ranging from 2s. 6d upwards, have come from all classes of people—omnibus drivers, miners and metropolitan policemen, as well as more well-to-do supporters—and they are all acknowledged personally by Sir Ernest Shackleton. Since the expedition was first announced Sir Ernest has been inundated with letters containing offers of patent foods and materials for various parts of his equipment.

Dr. Konig's Plans.

While Sir Ernest Shackleton is in the Antarctic region, an Austrian expedition under Dr. Felix Konig will be engaged on somewhat similar exploration work. The plans, so far as they have been announced, are to carry out oceanographical work from South Georgia as a base, then to push into the Weddell Sea, establish winter quarters, and prepare the way for an eventual advance towards the Pole, by laying depots. Three sledge expeditions are planned for the following spring for the investigation of the region around the Weddell Sea. A start is to be made in May, some five months before the British expedition sails from Buenos Aires, but Sir Ernest Shackleton pointed out that, as South Georgia is icebound up to the end of September, Dr. Konig's party are not likely to reach the Weddell Sea base much, if any, earlier than himself. In any case, he has no ground to complain of rivalry, inasmuch as the Austrian expedition was projected before his own. It will be observed that though the Austrian programme is very similar to the British in other respects, the plans so far announced do not contemplate Anything in the nature of a trans-Continental journey, which is now and most striking feature of the British expedition.

ANGKOR-VAT.

A CITY THAT WAS LOST AND FOUND IN THE JUNGLE.

From the ninth to the twelfth centuries there flourished in Cambodia (the country which is now French Indo-China) a civilisation which had attained an extraordinary degree of development. The descendants of the ancient Khmer dynasty, conquered and driven southwards, settled by the Mekong river, where they built the town of Ankor-Thom, and later the royal residence Ankor-Vat. Then, in some mysterious fashion, the whole race vanished, leaving its wonderful buildings to the mercy of the devastating jungle. Mr. Edmund Michell, writing in the January issue of the *Pall Mall Magazine*, tells how the cities have been rediscovered and are being cleared of the jungle, and describes the history of the ancient civilisation as it is revealed by the marvellous works of carving on the stone walls and balustrades. The work of restoration and preservation is being carried on by the French Government under the supervision of M. Commaille, and the fascinating task of discovering the secrets of the past is fast progressing. The article is well illustrated by special photographs, which show clearly the great artistic skill attained by the builders and carvers of ancient Cambodia.

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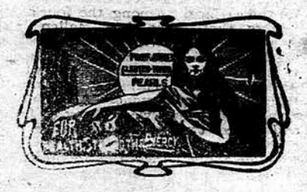

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NOTES FROM THE MAIL

SIGNALLING WITH SOOT.

The Paris correspondent of the *Times* states that the firm of Breguet has invented an ingenious method of signalling from aeroplanes. The device consists of a tube placed in such a position that the strong current of air from the propeller passes through it and is connected by a valve with a reservoir filled with soot. This valve can be operated by the passenger in the aeroplane in such a manner as to release either a large or a small quantity of soot from the reservoir into the tube. The soot whirled out of the tube by the draught forms, in the machine, long or short streaks of black, by means of which messages can be given in the Morse code. It is stated that during the course of some experiments made with this device dots and dashes of messages were made with the help of powerful field glasses over five miles away. The whole apparatus weighs not more than 9 lbs.

SALVATION ARMY CAFE.

The Salvation Army in New Jersey opened a cafe there recently when coffee was served by converted bartenders and hallelujah hymns sung by cabaret converted artists. The cafe is fashioned after the American bar, and, emulating the American public-house, a free lunch is given with drinks, which in all cases are "temperance." Converted carpenters built and converted painters decorated the cafe, which has already secured a great popular success. The major in charge, himself a converted publican, holds that no Christian organisation should ignore the tactics of the enemy when they can be revised for the purpose of capturing souls. "We use," he said, "the devil's ideas to perform God's work." Appetising "Salvation Stew" is sold at 3d, 4d, and 6d, and if a man has no money he is allowed to earn the price needed by chopping wood.

DISEASE-STRICKEN SHIP.

The Norwegian four-masted ship Alonso has put into Falmouth with her captain dead and her chief officer and six of the crew suffering from beriberi. The Alonso has on board 8,500 barrels of whale oil, which she had collected from the whaling depot at Elephant Bay. Soon after she left the depot the disease broke out, and on Christmas Day Captain Hansen was forced to take to his bed. He gradually got worse, and died on Tuesday in mail week, as the Alonso entered the Channel. Then the chief officer was stricken down with the disease, and afterwards half a dozen of the crew. Fresh provisions were short, and fresh vegetables also were badly needed. A telegram was received at Falmouth stating that a large vessel was dangerously near the rocks off the Lizard and tugs were sent out. The tug Victor found the Alonso in the fog, took her in tow, and brought her to port. The ship was boarded by Dr. G. E. Lanyon, the medical officer, and the chief officer was taken to the Sailors' Hospital, and the acting master and crew were also medically treated. The body of the captain was removed to await an inquest.

ALPINE TERRORS.

Black snow has fallen in patches on the mountains in the Canton of Appenzell during a snowstorm. It consists of myriads of microscopic insects, and the phenomenon, though rare, is not unknown in the Alps when sudden atmospheric changes occur. The snow looks as if it were covered with soot on the surface. Among the four avalanches that have just fallen the Loetschtal, near Brigue, is the dreaded "red" avalanche—so called because the snow has a brownish colour—which descends every year in January, and has killed many persons. Above Coire an avalanche has swept away a farm and killed two horses and cattle. A bobsleigh containing six Swiss fell into a ravine above Zurich, the steerer being killed at the wheel and the others injured. A Paris visitor who had both her legs broken while tobogganing at Les Avants, died in hospital at Vevey. Two persons were frozen to death near Bale.

OMNIBUS RESIDENCES.

A journey along the countryside will explain what happens to bolt horse-omnibuses. Many of them have been converted into summer bungalows. Last year an endeavour was made to establish what was called a "Busville" at Canvey, where an enterprising landowner, whilst waiting for his plots to ripen for building development, planted thereon some old omnibuses, to let out at 20s. a week each during the season. The experiment was not a success. Nevertheless, it gave to others an idea as to the value of an old omnibus as a week-end abode, and now many omnibuses have made their final journeys to the country, to remain there for residential purposes. In one instance a fairly commodious establishment has been improvised by the acquisition, at 30s. each, of a couple of omnibuses deposited on the land and joined together by means of a matchboarded centre apartment.

DROUET INSTITUTE SEQUEL.

Application for an order of discharge was made in mail week, by Dr. Hanna Nassif Dakhyl, who was adjudged bankrupt in May, 1908, the receiving order having been made upon the petition of the late Mr. Henry Labouchere, proprietor of *Truth*. The debtor, a native of Syria and M.D. of the University of Paris, had been engaged as physician at the Drouet Institute, and afterwards practised as an aurist in Holland-road, Kensington, where he also dispensed medicine. His insolvency was stated to be due to the heavy costs he had incurred in connection with proceedings for libel which he had instituted against *Truth*. The result of the litigation was that he became liable for about £6,000 in costs. The debtor returned his liabilities at £7,483, and the Official Receiver reported that the assets had realised £595 3s. 10d. Mr. Registrar Hope granted the discharge, subject to a judgment for £30.

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UNDER-SEA PERILS.

THE SAVING OF SUBMARINE SHIPS.

SOME RESCUE EXPERIENCES.

A7 is one of the earliest submarines now in service in the British Navy, as the experimental Holland boats, the first submarines built for the King's service, have been discarded, writes the *Daily Mail*.

She was built by Messrs. Vickers at Barrow in 1904, being one of a class of thirteen boats, four of which have now been discarded. She has a displacement of 210 tons under water, and 180 tons on the surface. When on the surface she is driven by vertical engines of 500-h.p. at a speed of 11 1-2 knots. Under water she uses electric motors of 150-h.p., propelling her at a speed of eight knots, and supplied with current from accumulators.

To enable a submarine to sink or rise she is fitted with ballast tanks. Water is admitted into these to sink her, though she also uses horizontal rudders to govern her movements in the vertical plane. If her commander wishes to rise suddenly to the surface he gives the order to blow the ballast tanks, when compressed air is driven into them, expelling the water with great speed.

In some foreign submarines, notably the French, a heavy detachable weight is carried which can be released in any emergency, but this appliance is not regarded with favour by the British Navy. In the case of the French submarine Souffleur, damaged and sent to the bottom by a collision in November, 1907, the releasing of this weight saved the vessel and her crew.

Various safety appliances to enable the crew to escape in the event of an accident to the boat are carried by the more recent British submarines, those of the C and later classes. There is a supply of helmets, fitted with a chemical apparatus which renews the quality of the air-giving oxygen. Each of the crew puts on one of these helmets and then the manholes are opened and in theory the crew escape through the conning tower.

The contrivance works excellently in favourable circumstances but it is believed that owing to their small size and peculiarities of construction the A class boats could not be equipped with these devices.

POISONOUS GAS HELMETS.

Such helmets are of great value in enabling the crew to resist the poisonous fumes given off when sea water, if any, enters the boats and comes into contact with the acid in the accumulators. In such conditions chlorine gas is evolved in small quantities, producing such fits of coughing that work is impossible. In larger quantities it is fatal.

If a submarine has gone to the bottom and cannot be raised by the efforts of her crew and her own buoyancy, salvage appliances are brought into play. The depth at which she lies is of enormous importance for quick salvage, because a large part of the work has to be done by divers, who cannot exert themselves at levels below 120 or 150 feet, and even at 100 feet labour with extreme difficulty owing to the pressure of water.

THE LITTING SHIP.

In the case of the German submarine U3, which sank in Kiel harbour in 1911, the special vessel for lifting submarines attached to the German Navy happened not to have steam up, but was towed to the place and employed with such effect that twenty-seven men were rescued alive, only three officers and men perishing.

Where a floating crane is available, and the sea is not too rough to permit of its use, the task of raising the boat is simplified, otherwise it is a slow and tedious process, agonising in its anxiety, when human lives are imperilled.

ALIVE AFTER NINE HOURS.

As for the time during which the crew of a submerged boat can support life, in April of last year a Russian submarine, the Minoga, was raised with her crew of twenty alive after nine hours' submersion. When the hatch was opened three men were able to crawl out, sixteen were removed unconscious and the cockswain who was in the conning tower and the last to be reached, was found to be in the best condition of all. The unconscious men were speedily revived and recovered completely. They suffered most from the poisonous gas generated by the inrush of water.

The British submarines of the A class have not been fortunate. Three, A1, A3, and the A8, have been sunk at various dates with heavy loss of life, two of them by collision. A4 had a narrow escape in 1905 as a quantity of water found its way into the boat and an explosion followed. She rose instantly to the surface, stern first, and was taken in tow by a tug, which dragged her level, thus saving the lives of all on board.

A COOL CREW.

A8 had as great an escape in 1908 when an escape of petrol gas rendered her crew of eleven insensible. This same boat, A8, sank in 1910 and refused to rise. She had on board a supply of oxygen sufficient to last seven hours. The pressure of the water upon her started serious leaks, and the first task of the crew, who remained perfectly cool, was to stop them.

They got the leaks under control, pumped out the water in the boat and cleared the motors, and then, at last, managed to make her rise after she had been below for more than an hour. In the words of one of her crew:—

"The officer in command soon realised what had happened, and told us we should be all right in a little while. He directed the ballast tanks to be blown, but before this could be done the pressure of water opened certain of the rivets where the conning tower joins the hull.

STOPPING THE LEAK.

"This gave us a shock, but nobody showed it. The captain ordered us to fetch up red lead, and while some of us held the plate with numbed hands others pushed red lead and oakum into the leak. We suffered nothing from want of air. Our one fear was that we might not be able to stop the leak.

"When the indicator showed that the vessel's nose was up and that she was lifting, we gave a cheer, and well we might, for it was not a pleasant experience."

Yet another submarine of the class, A9, had a narrow escape in 1906. She was struck by a coasting steamer when just under the surface, and her conning tower was injured. The boat was knocked half over and the water rushed in, but the crew displayed splendid coolness, the ballast tanks were instantly blown, and she rose to safety.

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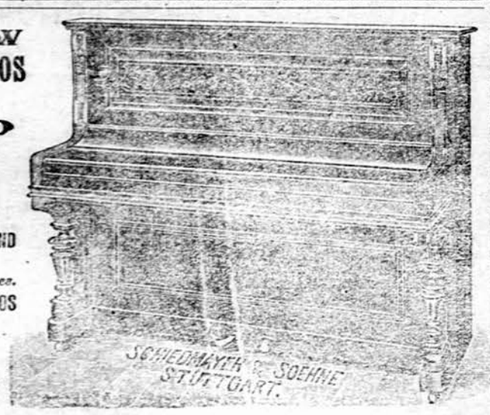

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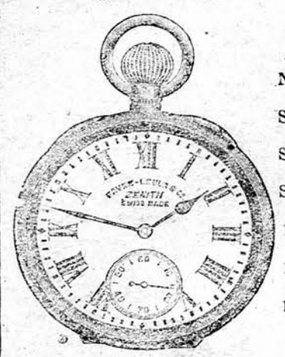

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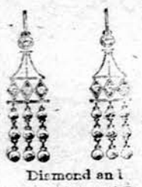
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